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## Love triangle alleged in killing of fireman

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EUREKA – A Bridgeville man will be arraigned for murder on Dec. 20 for allegedly gunning down his wife's lover as the dead man's widow and son looked on in horror.

Jon David Goldberg, 36, was bound over for trial at a preliminary hearing Dec. 6 for the alleged gunshot killing in September of Timothy Thomas Smith Sr., 42. Smith Sr. was a well-known Fortuna fire captain and reportedly a friend of Jon Goldberg's; they hunted and fished together.

The state alleges that the abrupt discovery of an extramarital affair led to the murder, which added to Humboldt County's record homicide rate, now in its third year running.

Smith Sr.'s widow, Jessica Springer, testified last week that she came across nude photographs on her husband's phone of her friend Rachel Goldberg, wife of the accused.

Jon Goldberg is being held on \$1 million bail.

Fortuna Police officers found

Smith Sr. lying on the ground next to his red pickup truck, directly in front of his house on Rohnerville Road. Police arrived at about 12:47 Monday afternoon, Sept. 26.

Springer and Smith Sr.'s son, Timothy Alan Smith Jr., testified on behalf of the People at the preliminary hearing. Both held to the view that Jon Goldberg committed the murder with undisguised intent.

Questioned by Deputy District Attorney Luke Bernthal, who was appointed to the post two weeks before the September slaying, Springer testified that she heard Jon Goldberg's voice as she stood in her living room. She saw Jon Goldberg's truck pull up because her front door was open. "Tim was out front," she said, unloading hunting gear from his pickup and taking it into the house.

Springer quoted Goldberg telling her husband either "Man, I thought you were my friend" or "I thought you were my friend, man."

KILLING ❖ A6



Jon David Goldberg

## Extreme measures

Arcata House, churches house homeless one night at a time during winter's worst weather



**EAT AND RUN** Arcata House Partnership Outreach Coordinator Dahl Simms, left, checks the dinner casserole at the Annex. Below left, the sandwich board sign at Ninth and F streets. Below, participants rush from the van into the night's shelter at Arcata United Methodist Church. PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION

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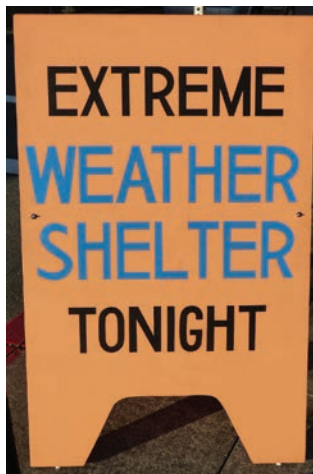
ARCATA – It's one of those nights that feel much colder than the temperature, and bitterly so. Even at 45 degrees, downtowners are pulling up their collars and bustling from warm car to warm building to keep the cold from reaching their bones.

The good news if you have nowhere indoors to sleep is that it's not going to rain until tomorrow afternoon. But that's bad news too, since clear skies put the temperature in freefall. Worse, the coming storm front is riding in on a wave of frigid air.

It doesn't seem there are 10 more degrees to lose, but that's the forecast – in reality, it will drop another 15 degrees.

For eight souls who will be lodged at the Arcata United Methodist Church (AUMC), the chill won't be relevant, at least tonight. Out of their usual alcoves and alleys, they'll bed down in the church's relatively

SHELTER ❖ A4



## ❖ DOG ABUSE CASE

## Cole to get psych evaluation



Charles Wesley Cole

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HUMBOLDT – Charles Wesley Cole's trial for alleged animal cruelty, battery and vandalism is on hold as he gets a psychiatric evaluation to determine whether he is competent to stand trial.

Judge Joyce Hinrichs set today, Dec. 14 at 9 a.m. for an evaluation by Eureka psychologist Dr. Michael Ramirez, to take place at the County Conflict Counsel office

in Eureka. Cole's diagnosis will be considered at a competency hearing, set for Dec. 28 at 10:15 a.m.

Cole is accused of mistreating his dog, Mr. Know Buddy (aka Mr. Nobody), who has since been rehomed out of the area and renamed "Jackpot."

**Court corridor drama**

The routine hearing included a minor kerfuffle at the conclusion of Cole's appearance. Filing out of Courtroom 5, Cole supporter Geno DeMay blurted out a semi-intelligible objection about what had taken place. DeMay maintains Cole is a victim of persecution at the hands of animal rights activists and the criminal justice system.

The outburst drew the attention of a court bailiff, who followed DeMay out into the corridor outside the courtroom and admonished him against inappropriate behavior.

DeMay, wagging his finger at the bailiff, argued that Cole's court-appointed attorney, Kaleb Cockrum, is "in cahoots" with prosecutors to declare Cole mentally unwell.

"This is ridiculous," DeMay said. "They stole his dog."

The bailiff asked Cole, who was standing a ways away, if he could leave, possibly in order to defuse the situation. But Cole said

COLE ❖ A2

## Rights Commission trimmed

Absentees leave communities without a voice

Daniel Mintz  
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HUMBOLDT – Despite objection from its chairman, Humboldt County's Human Rights Commission will have its membership reduced. Changing the county's Planning Commission is also under consideration.

Reducing the membership of the Human Rights Commission and expanding the Planning Commission were discussed at the Dec. 6 meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

The Planning Commission's number of members was addressed first. Fifth District Supervisor Ryan Sundberg said his commission appointee was on vacation when a recent special meeting was held, depriving his district of representation. The district includes the county's largest unincorporated community, McKinleyville.

Sundberg said he wants to make sure that districts are represented and workloads are addressed, particularly in light of an anticipated influx of potentially controversial commercial marijuana permit hearings.

"With all the conditional use permits that are coming down the pipe in our dis-

tricts, especially for the more rural ones, with cultivation sites and manufacturing and processing ... having our districts represented at those meetings is going to be extremely important," Sundberg said.

Ideas for changing the commission included appointing alternate or substitute members and expanding its membership above its current seven-member make-up.

There was some tense debate when Supervisor Rex Bohn said the commission works well as is. He questioned why "we're talking about changing this because one member missed one meeting."

Sundberg described Bohn's description of the intent as being "absolutely ridiculous" and reiterated his concern about district representation.

Supervisor Estelle Fennell said she is also concerned about having representatives of all districts at commission meetings, saying "a lot of work" is ahead, including the General Plan Update's environmental review.

Supervisors directed staff to do research on how other counties form their commissions and return at a future meeting with options. Supervisors also consid-

COMMISSIONS ❖ A2



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# Making Arcata safer

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ARCATA — Arcata will soon have a new force, and it has quite a task before it: to make the town safer.

The Arcata City Council last week approved formation of a Public Safety Task Force to unite and coordinate citizens and various organizations around town who are presently dealing with public safety issues separately.

The task force’s ultimate objective, according to a draft staff report, is to “promote a vibrant, safe and healthy environment in which to live, work and play.”

The task force won’t have any direct power over city affairs, but will advise and influence the council. It may eventually be replaced by a Public Safety Committee with some of the same functions.

The task force, for which applications are being accepted through Thursday, Dec. 15 (see page A6), will consist of seven to 11 members including community members from throughout Arcata: business owners and employees; Humboldt State students; Arcata school representatives; and representatives from community-based organizations.

Applicants will be interviewed

Wednesday, Dec. 21. Police Chief Tom Chapman will serve as staff liaison. The task force will end after one year, on Dec. 6, 2017.

In discussing the task force’s composition, councilmembers stressed the importance of enhanced communication and awareness. Its other goals are to assess the situation, identify priorities, locate funding, develop an implementation strategy, conduct outreach and evaluate structural options for the future.

Melissa Lazon, who with Anjali Browning first advocated the concept of a Public Safety Committee, lauded the council’s action.

“I am so pleased at the process and the progress we’ve made,” Lazon said. “I just really appreciate how positive this has been and how quickly we’ve been able to push this through.”

Ken Hamik of Community Pride & Peace said that Arcata’s initiative could be part of a larger “safety corridor” ranging from McKinleyville to as far as Garberville.

The council also approved the \$6,340 purchase of an online crime-mapping module called Citizen RIMS. It will allow the public to see, in graphic form, what crime happens where in Arcata.

**CITY COUNCIL SEA LEVEL RISE STUDY SESSION** The Arcata City Council holds a study session on sea level rise **today, Dec. 14** at 6 p.m. in Arcata Council Chamber, 736 F St. Agenda items include: background on tides and sea level rise; sea level rise projections and policy implications with a review of Humboldt Bay Working Group results and how Arcata fits into projections; current conditions and adaptation strategies with a review of the method staff proposes for adaptation, including collaboration with regional partners; a pathway to Local Coastal Plan adoption, public engagement, process and timeline.

**ARCATA COUNCIL/JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY** The City of Arcata and Arcata Joint Powers Financing Authority meet **Thursday, Dec. 15** at noon at Arcata City Hall, 736 F St. Council agenda items include adoption of election results; swearing in of newly-elected councilmembers; election of a mayor and vice mayor; and assignments to regional boards, commissions and committees and liaisons. Joint Powers Financing Authority agenda items include approval of minutes from Dec. 10 and election of chair and vice chair.

**HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMITTEE** The Historic Landmarks Committee meets **Thursday, Dec.**



**15** at 4 p.m. at Arcata City Hall, 736 F St. Agenda items include a Wiyot/Seventh St. update; a Plaza registry update; and a Mills Act program development update.

**McKINLEYVILLE RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE** The McKinleyville Recreation Advisory Committee will discuss a survey that it intends to conduct in preparation for an update of the town’s Parks and Recreation Master Plan when it meets **Thursday, Dec. 15** starting at 6:30 p.m. at the McKinleyville Community Services District office at 1656 Sutter Rd. The committee, which advises the district’s Board of Directors, will also review a map of McKinleyville parks, trails and open spaces, and will get updates on various recreation programs. The meeting is open to the public and time is set aside for public comments.

**McKINLEYVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT ELECTION** The deadline to run for an open seat on the McKinleyville Community Services District Board of Directors is **Friday, Dec. 16**. To become a candidate, you must fill out paperwork at the County Office of Elections at 2426 Sixth St. in Eureka. If more than one candidate signs up, the election will be held on March 14, which is the day that ballots mailed to registered voters must be returned to the elections office.

**AARP NEEDS VOLUNTEERS** The AARP Tax-Aide program provides free tax return preparation to the public during the tax season. The program needs volunteers to train and serve as tax preparers. Training involves attending classes three days in January and passing a take-home certification test. Volunteers are asked to provide one day of assistance per week during the tax season from February to April. Tax sessions are held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on a week day at locations in McKinleyville, Eureka and Fortuna. Volunteers need not have tax return experience but should have basic computer skills. Contact Larry at (707) 268-3972 or John at (707)362-0759. [aarp.org/taxaide](http://aarp.org/taxaide)

## Cole | Hitler enters into the fray

❖ **FROM A1**

he couldn’t, as DeMay was his only ride back to Arcata in the rain.

The nonplussed bailiff told DeMay to “focus,” and called for reinforcement. A second bailiff arrived, and stood by as DeMay detailed his legal arguments.

“Where you need to voice this concern is with the District Attorney’s Office,” the bailiff told him. DeMay responded that he had attempted to do so four times, “but they will not talk to me.”

“Shut up,” Cole told DeMay, reflecting the general consensus.

The two left shortly thereafter without further incident.

Cole, who had been staying with DeMay at his Arcata home, later expressed dismay at his ally’s conduct. He said DeMay was

using his plight to advance his own agenda, and wasn’t really helping.

“I’m doing everything I can to present myself as stable, and he’s doing this,” Cole complained.

DeMay frequently alludes to God, professes deep insight into the finer points of the law and predicts costly legal consequences for the City of Arcata over its handling of Cole’s case.

**‘Icing on the crap-cake’**

DeMay has issued various statements on Cole’s behalf, and even produced a video which purports to document harassment against his friend at the hands of area animal rights activists.

Titled *“Gangs” of Arcata* and credited to “Helping Hands Productions,” the video includes photographs of citizens walking their

dogs at the Community Center, alleging violations and a double standard.

The 14-minute video screed is narrated in a gravelly monotone, with damning quotations from individuals described as “activists” and identified by their first names. It disputes the “activists” claim that Cole’s dog is happier elsewhere, noting that the dog “doesn’t speak English.”

“Who does your propaganda?”  
— “Gangs” of Arcata

The video’s central focus is “ringleader” Kim Class, executive director of the Companion Animal Foundation, and others associated with the rehoming of Cole’s dog. It calls them “gang members,” a “hate group” and de-

scribes their efforts as a “racket.”

The video concludes with an unflattering photo of Class, followed by one of Adolph Hitler. A word cloud by Hitler’s face reads, “Kim you are even more efficient than I. Good Work!!! Who does your propaganda?”

Cole said the video represents DeMay’s values and interests, and was created with imagery that DeMay had “absconded” with. He said DeMay refused to add descriptive information to the photos and video footage (that Cole had taken) which are included in the piece.

“When I saw the Hitler shot, that was the icing on the crap-cake,” Cole said.

It’s not clear what DeMay has in mind for distribution of the video, though Cole has complained of it being “sent out” without his permission.

Cole believes that everyone

involved is acting on their own behalf rather than his, including his attorney, the court, activists, police, reporters doing stories on his case and even his various mentors.

“The court requires a pound of flesh,” he said. “None of them really care.”

**MANILA HOMICIDE** The Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office is investigating a homicide after a 20-year-old man was found on State Route 255 in Manila with multiple gunshot wounds. Deputies responded to what was reported as a possible armed robbery at 2:15 a.m. Monday, Dec. 12 and found the victim in the roadway. He was taken to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead. No additional details were available before the *Union* went to press.

## Commissions | Mood of ‘fear, uncertainty, apprehension’

❖ **FROM A1**

ered the make-up of the Human Rights Commission, which addresses issues involving discrimination and rights violations. Fennell said the commission addresses a wide range of issues but “I haven’t heard of a wide range of issues being addressed.”

She supported reducing the commission’s size from the current 15 members to 10 members. But Human Rights Commission Chair Jim Glover said he attended three local forums that drew large audiences voicing “fear and uncertainty” about human rights issues. He said the commission needs to maintain its scale of membership.

“The mood at all of these events was identical – fear, uncertainty, apprehension,” he told supervisors.

Acknowledging Fennell’s observation about the limited range of issues affecting the county, Glover added that “this new sense of doubt and fear leads one to ask who will be available when things are not so good.”

Glover questioned how a reduced commission lacking staff support would handle increases in human rights complaints.

Former Human Rights Commissioner Nezzie Wade said the commission needs to be strengthened. Earlier, during the meeting’s general public comment session, she explained why she announced her intent to resign from the

Human Rights Commission at one of its recent meetings.

Wade said her action was over “improprieties,” including breaches of confidentiality with rights violation referrals to the commission.

During the discussion on changing the commission, she said the confidentiality issues call attention to the need for a process to remove commissioners if necessary.

“Enforceable privacy safeguards should be implemented so that the commission can reprimand a commissioner and invoke taking responsibility for his or her actions,” Wade continued. “There should be a way for the commission to call upon the board to reprimand or remove a commissioner for rogue or dangerous behavior.”

In a motion that also included the staff direction regarding the Planning Commission, a majority of supervisors voted to reduce the Human Rights Commission to 10 members, with the chair only voting to break a tie. Supervisors will finalize the action in the near future by amending the ordinance that defines the Human Rights Commission.

Bohn voted against the motion due to his views on the Planning Commission.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS			
GOVERNING BODY	NEXT MEETING	MEETING LOCATION	MORE INFORMATION
<b>Arcata City Council</b> Meets first & third Wednesday	Wednesday, Dec. 21 at 6 p.m.	Council Chamber, Arcata City Hall 736 F St., Arcata	<a href="http://cityofarcata.org">cityofarcata.org</a>
<b>Blue Lake City Council</b> Meets second & fourth Tuesday	Tuesday, Dec. 27 at 7 p.m.	Skinner Store Building behind City Hall	<a href="http://bluelake.ca.gov/city/council/agendas">bluelake.ca.gov/city/ council/agendas</a>
<b>Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation &amp; Conservation District</b> Meets third Thursday	Thursday, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m.	Woodley Island Marina Meeting Room	<a href="http://humboldtбай.org/meetings-agendas-and-public-notice">humboldtбай.org/meetings- agendas-and-public-notice</a>
<b>Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (HBMWD)</b> Meets second Thursday	Thursday, Jan. 12 at 9 a.m.	Boardroom, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, 828 Seventh St., Eureka	<a href="http://hbmwd.com/meeting-schedule">hbmwd.com/meeting- schedule</a>
<b>Humboldt County Board of Supervisors</b> Meets every Tuesday	Tuesday, Dec. 20 at 9 a.m.	Board Chambers, Humboldt Co. Courthouse, 825 Fifth St., Eureka	<a href="http://humboldt.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx">humboldt.legistar.com/ Calendar.aspx</a>
<b>Manila Community Services District (Manila CSD)</b> Meets third Thursday	Thursday, Dec. 15 at 6:30 p.m.	Room I, Manila Community Center, 1611 Peninsula Dr., Manila	<a href="http://manilacsd.com/Agendas_Minutes_and_Forms.htm">manilacsd.com/Agendas_ Minutes_and_Forms.htm</a>
<b>McKinleyville Community Services District (MCSD)</b> Meets first Wednesday	Wednesday, Jan. 4 at 7 p.m.	Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville	<a href="http://mckinleyvillecsd.com">mckinleyvillecsd.com</a>
<b>McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (McKMAC)</b> Meets last Wednesday	Wednesday, Jan 25 at 6 p.m.	Azalea Conference Center, at McKinleyville Middle School	<a href="http://humboldt.gov.org/238/McKinleyville-Municipal-Advisory-Committ">humboldt.gov.org/238/ McKinleyville-Municipal- Advisory-Committ</a>
<b>Trinidad City Council</b> Meets second Wednesday	today, Dec. 14 at 6 p.m.	Trinidad Town Hall, 409 Trinity St., Trinidad	<a href="http://trinidad.ca.gov/city-government/city-council.html">trinidad.ca.gov/city- government/city-council.html</a>



❖ GREEN RUSH

# Humboldt County prepares for a new era in cannabis

Marijauna tax starts on Jan. 1      County identifies loophole growers may use to dodge tax

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HUMBOLDT – Local taxation of marijuana will soon be a part of the Humboldt County code, as the Board of Supervisors has introduced an ordinance formalizing a voter-approved law that takes effect Jan. 1.

What was described as a “purely procedural” action was taken at the Dec. 6 supervisors meeting.

In the November election, 66 percent of voters approved Measure S, the county’s proposal for levying an excise tax on marijuana cultivation in unincorporated areas. The ordinance sets a tax rate of \$1 per square foot for outdoor grows, \$2 per square foot for mixed light grows and \$3 per square foot for indoor grows.

Introduction and adoption of the ordinance by supervisors was described as an obligatory action driven by the will of voters. But Supervisor Ryan Sundberg asked about how circumstances such as crop loss and planting less than permitted amounts would affect the ordinance’s implementation.

County Administrative Officer Amy Nilsen said that only “non-substantial” changes can be made to the ordinance in the future. Supervisor Estelle Fennell explained that at this point, implementation is pending, and the only action to supervisors can take is to make the ordinance part of county code.

“As I understand it, this is a purely procedural aspect of the passage of Measure S,” she said.

Nilsen said implementation of the ordinance could involve some decision-making by supervisors, but issues like crop loss and quantifying cultivation amounts can be handled without making changes.

“If there’s a policy decision for your board to make, then that will be brought back to you,” she said. “In the instance of crop loss, we would hope that folks have insurance ... and if you’ve only planted 5,000 square feet on your 10,000-square-foot grow, then hopefully we’d work though that with our agricultural commissioner and he can verify that that has occurred.”

County Counsel Jeffrey Blanck said the intent of the ordinance process is to let people know that “the board supports and is going forward with the ordinance as approved by the voters.”

Measure S allows the excise tax revenue to be spent on a variety of “essential services,” including public health, safety and welfare services. According to a written staff report, the new law will yield \$7.3 million a year in revenue when an anticipated 400 cultivation permits have been approved.

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HUMBOLDT – Humboldt County has set its state and federal lobbying priorities for the coming year, and one of the top-ranking items identifies a significant obstacle to collecting marijuana grow taxes.

The county’s Board of Supervisors considered its state and federal legislative platform at its Dec. 6 meeting. The platform sets lobbying priorities to be advanced by the county’s legislative consulting firm.

Among the top state priorities are establishing local control of marijuana regulation as well as local control of marijuana taxation.

In November’s election, voters approved an excise tax for marijuana cultivation, but the legislative platform states that, “the transient nature of commercial cannabis cultivators presents significant challenges regarding approval and collection of such taxes.”

As described in the platform document, the problem is that cultivators could lease land, grow a crop on it and then leave the property, “making it extremely difficult, if not impossible, for counties to collect taxes.”

The proposed legislative solution is to allow counties to collect grow taxes as part of property tax bills. But in response to a question from Supervisor Ryan Sundberg, County Counsel Jeffrey Blanck discussed the dilemma of taxing unpermitted growers.

He said state regulations stemming from voter approval of recreational marijuana may define unpermitted grows as being beyond taxation because they’re illegal. “We’re closely watching that to see when and whom we can send a bill to,” Blanck continued.

Blanck said he is analyzing the issue, which he described as “a statewide issue” faced by all counties seeking to tax marijuana.

Another section of the state legislative platform deals with regulating marijuana, describing it as a “particularly vexing and unusual land use.”

The platform seeks to allow counties to “enact prohibitions or general regulations in the face of threats to public health, safety and general welfare” posed by cultivation and dispensaries.

Also included is support for limiting grow sizes, as the platform describes the state’s allowance of grows

of over an acre as a provision that “threatens our environment and local economy.”

On the federal side, the platform notes that the federal government classifies marijuana as a Schedule One drug, which is defined as one that is harmful and has no medical benefits. According to the platform, regulation of herbicide use, food safety and allowing marijuana-related banking can be done without forcing rescheduling.

Providing the only public comment on the platform, Blue Lake resident Kent Sawatsky derisively referred to marijuana as “Humboldt County green crack” but supported rescheduling it as a means of advancing regulation and protecting the county from federal intervention.

“It’s imperative that this happens because the position you folks are in and the state of California is in due to a change of politics is what you would call an untenable position,” he said.

Supervisor Estelle Fennell asked if the section stating that the county believes regulatory issues can be addressed without rescheduling should be changed or added to.

Board Chair Mark Lovelace said the language was chosen because it is unlikely that the federal classification of marijuana will be changed soon. “But there might be agreement that we should tax and we should regulate,” he continued.

Fennell suggested adding language indicating the county’s support for rescheduling.

Supervisors directed staff to make modifications to the platform and return it for approval on the consent agenda of this week’s meeting.

Other priorities for federal-level lobbying include limiting corporate and union contributions in elections, stopping “wrongful postal closures,” reauthorization of several pools of federal funding and supporting Klamath River Basin restoration.

Other state-level priorities include allowing standard-sized trucks through Richardson Grove, allowing counties to implement their own versions of a state program that streamlines permitting for affordable housing and reducing voter approval thresholds for local ballot measures.

## Bass joins top brass in county association

**COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

HUMBOLDT – Humboldt County now has a leadership position on the state’s top association that advocates for state and federal issues on behalf of California’s 58 counties.

Fourth District Supervisor Virginia Bass on Nov. 30 was elected second vice president for the California State Association of Counties Board of Directors at the association’s 122nd annual meeting, held in Palm Springs, meaning the North Coast will

now have a more prominent voice when it comes to seeking changes that affect California counties.

Traditionally, the second vice president moves into the vice presidency the following year, and then becomes president of the association the year after, which would allow Bass to lead this influential organization in 2019. Former Supervisor George J. Cole, also representing the Fourth District, is the only other Humboldt County representative to have served as an association

officer, which he did in 1940 as president.

Bass’s election to this office puts Humboldt County in a particularly influential position among two important state-wide organizations. First District Supervisor Rex Bohn also serves as the second vice president for the Rural County Representatives of California, a 35-member strong service organization advocating on behalf of California’s rural counties. To-



Virginia Bass

gether, Bass and Bohn occupy two of six seats atop these agencies at the same time, a first for Humboldt County.

Supervisor Bass was elected to the second vice president position by county supervisors from throughout the state during the assoaction’s General Assembly. She was sworn in the following day by San Diego County Supervisor Greg Cox.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF BOARD VACANCY

A vacancy on the five-member Governing Board of the McKinleyville Union School District, which includes Dow's Prairie Elementary, Morris Elementary, and McKinleyville Middle Schools, has been announced. Applications for the open seat on the Governing Board will be available at the District Office, 2275 Central Avenue, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., or online at: <https://sites.google.com/a/mckusd/org/mckinleyville-union-school-district/board-vacancy-information>

Applications will be received at the District Office until 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

Interested persons who are at least eighteen years old, live within the boundaries of the McKinleyville Union School District, and are registered voters are welcome to apply for the existing vacancies. All applications become public record upon receipt by the district.

Candidates will be interviewed in open session by the current members of the Board at the regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 2017. Persons wanting to submit questions for the existing Board members to consider during interviewing should do so by Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

A provisional appointment will be made to serve until the next regularly scheduled election for McKinleyville District Board members in November 2017.

Questions regarding the appointment can be directed to Jan Schmidt, District Superintendent, at 839-1549.

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# Shelter | Limited to 10 nights per winter, tough calls have to be made

❖ FROM A1 warm Social Hall.

The Extreme Weather Shelter is a program of the Arcata House Partnership. It's managed from the Annex — the former Arcata Endeavor building across from Arcata's transit center.

While almost any winter's night is one best spent indoors, that's not an option for houseless residents of Arcata. They'll be holed up in alcoves, under porches, in the forest or whatever nook or cranny they can find that offers some protection from the elements — and from the police.

In scheduling the shelter nights, Arcata House Outreach Coordinator Dahl Simms studies NOAA alerts, various weather forecasts and, he says, "I chew on that based on my experience."

If the raw temperature or wind chill is forecast for 34 degrees, if there's an inch or more of rain in one day, or if there's a half-inch or more of rain over three or four days, an Extreme Weather Shelter might be called.

Simms has to be judicious only because, at roughly \$450 each, he only has the budget to run so many shelters over the entire winter. Ten, to be exact, maybe 15 if he stretches resources — for more than four months of wet, cold, beastly weather.

"We don't have that many nights," Dahl laments. Tonight will be the third Extreme Weather Shelter of the season.

The process begins at 6 a.m. on days that Dahl foresees as tough enough to justify it.

Around 8 a.m., he alerts the troops — those who will be called into service for the effort. These include Arcata House kitchen staff, chaperones and the local media who will publicize the opportunity. The four participating churches — AUMC, St. Alban's Episcopal Church, St. Mary's Catholic Church and Arcata First Presbyterian Church — are notified that if anyone shows up on their doorstep asking for shelter, as sometimes happens, they should be directed to the Annex for Extreme Weather Shelter intake that day. Depending on the day of the week, one of those churches will host the night's shelter.

At 3 p.m., the Annex starts intake. Applicants — limited to adults only — are interviewed and will probably be accepted for the night, unless their behavior is disruptive.

Up to 16 people are offered a shower, fresh, dry clothes and a hot meal. Dinner entrées are provided by the Blue Lake Rancheria, with sides added out of other donations. Last Tuesday night, dinner was a comforting pasta goulash, salad and pumpkin pie suitable for any Arcata dinner table.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST Zonder-van-Droz prepares the morning meal.

Conversation is light as participants eat dinner. Some folks keep to themselves. Eventually, everyone is clean, fed and ready to go. They leave their packs at the Annex, are set up with clean bedding and then board the Arcata House van for transport to the church.

On arrival at the 11th Street church, passengers disembark, grab their bedding and bustle inside as the temperature continues to fall. The church's roomy Social Hall will board them for the night. Sleeping pads and bags are rolled out with minimal conversation, and the lodgers settle in to relax until the 10 p.m. lights out.

Some sort the small possessions they've brought, look at their phones or break out books, while others laze and chat. Sev-

eral of the menfolk head out back for a smoke.

## The Big Man's Club

"Welcome to the Big Man's Club," says a smoker just outside the back door.

A first quarter moon lends pale light to the frigid Arcata Bottom, but not on the back stoop. It's in the shadow of a huge cypress tree, where sour cig smoke and boisterous conversation temper the smokers' chill, if not that of the chaperone there to monitor them.

Amid sour smoke misasma, the men swap stories, but it's mostly Joe (not his real name) doing the talking. An Arcata resident since 1990, he, like the others, has had long experience with the streets. The police are a topic back to which conversations often circle.

Asked where he'd be tonight if the shelter weren't running, Joe says, "Where I always am." That's a little corner of Arcata with an overhang to keep the weather off him, mostly. He props up an umbrella to stop the wind.

This sets off an epic story about the time the police, looking for a burglar one rainy night, came calling at his secluded remove. The lead officer thought he had his man, but wound up shamed for his zealousness, Joe said. He invited the naive officer to witness his bare feet and come and feel his blankets, warmed by body heat, to prove he hadn't been anywhere recently.



HOME FOR THE NIGHT Extreme Weather Shelter participants and chaperone Andreina Valerio, right, arrive at the Methodist Church Social Hall.

"This guy was hellbent on being 'the dude!'" he bellows. "He thought he had his catch."

A natural raconteur, Joe's tale is well received, and the laughter propels him on to new heights of storytelling. "Really, the barefoot homeless guy?" he says, to gales of laughter. "That's who you think was rustling up a house down the road?"

He wrings the last details from the triumphal tale, offering a scenario of his tormentor suffering humiliation by his night duty peers. "You can only imagine the heckling he got," he says.

The saga of victimization, a canny reversal and a vanquished adversary probably isn't that different from those told in Big Man's Clubs everywhere — whether in mahogany-paneled rooms over brandy and cigars, sitting on logs around a campfire in the wild or even under a frozen moonshadow on the Bottoms, with cars barreling past on State Route 255 in the distance.

## The chaperones

Being outside, and even using the restroom, requires a chaperone. There are two: Larry M. Haven Jr. and Andreina Valerio. They take turns watching the smokers.

Valerio is a Humboldt State political science student from Oakland. She found herself helping Arcata House Partnership after signing up for an internship class. "I wanted to give back," she says. "It's eye opening."

After Valerio watches over the smokers — a handful of men, some maybe twice her age — Haven comes out to spell her. Valerio heads back into the drafty but much warmer church room and hefts her entertainment for the night — a heavy textbook titled *Economics for Today*.

Haven is the resident watchman and AUMC boardmember, having come up from a rough previous existence living along the Hammond Trail. He was given lodging at the church one night during his homeless phase, then



DINNER IS SERVED Leslie Zondervan-Droz, sits down with diners enjoying her cuisine at the Annex.

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made himself useful and wound up being offered a job, room, board and a board position.

Haven credits Pastors Jason and Bethany Cseh for giving him the opportunity. "He started putting me to work," he says. "Next thing you know, I'm on the Board of Trustees and have a master key. This is beautiful what they've done for me."

Between duties, Haven roams the universe, one hand holding a small tablet with a space war sim game in progress, the other working a phone running a calculator app. Saving the galaxy and protecting the church takes some se-

forecast that calculated wind chill at 24 degrees, and used the datum in scheduling the Extreme Weather Shelter. But the ground temperature low came in at a balmy 29 — still below freezing.

That's harsh enough but even still, the shelter ran at half capacity this night, baffling the experts. "I can't figure out the dynamic," Simms said.

## Morning

It's still dark the next morning when the lodgers must arise for return to the Annex. The church Social Hall is left as it was, with no trace of its guests. Their bedding will be taken to Emerald City Laundry, which washes everything for free.

At the Annex, everyone tucks into a fortifying breakfast of pancakes, eggs and coffee. Volunteer Leslie Zondervan-Droz downplays her flapjack-cooking skills. "I'm pretty good at warming things up," she says, modestly.

"You are a great cook!" declares Robert Griffith, CalFresh outreach coordinator. "You put so much love into it."

Griffith stands next to two bulging bins of sack lunches destined for the CalFresh truck. He makes 45 per day, 55 on Mondays for Arcata Bay Crossing tenants.

Everyone got through the night, and has some kind of plan for the future — near or long term — including the chaperones.

Havens looks to join Arcata House as part of the morning staff, helping others get off the streets and lift themselves out of homelessness, as was done for him. "It's not a flophouse," he says of Arcata House Partnership's transitional housing. "You've got to sign up for case management." Valerio hopes to put her experience and education to work, crafting transitional housing policy for the county. That will help wrangle funding for the needed programs.

Simms is looking ahead to the next Extreme Weather Shelter. A solid week of rain has been forecast, so chances are the shelter will be back in business before long.

It's still clear in Arcata though, and the Arcata Ball Park field is white with a crust of frost. Into this cold and later, rain, the night's guests are headed, and tonight, they may not be inside. Their ambitions are even more near-term than Simms' — to survive the coming day and night.

One of the overnights says last night was "great," but "tonight, I don't know."

The weather is navigable, but police are a tougher challenge. "Every time I sleep in a new place I get trouble, but I'm used to that," said the guest. "The cops aren't very friendly. They constantly upend us. A few have a thirst for blood and the others are covering for them. They get together and decide how to make us miserable."

Until tonight, hunger shouldn't be a problem. All the night's guests leave with a paper bag of donated calories — cereal, milk, string cheese, yogurt, apple, muffin and two hard-boiled eggs plus an optional quart of eggnog.

## Resources required

Arcata House Partnership's Extreme Weather Shelter is the only one of its kind in the county, though the Department of Health & Human Services offers vouchers for motel stays through its Winter Shelter Program.

Arcata House maintains a

# APD seeks 'balance'

Kevin L. Hoover

MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA — When it comes to Arcata's houseless residents, are Arcata Police oppressors, do-nothings or pragmatists? Depends on who you talk to.

In a liberal college town, the police have always had to be aware of and reconcile the sometimes-conflicting needs of the town's multiple demographics, including students, seniors, businesspeople, activists of various flavors and of course, street folks.

There's an inevitable tension between law enforcement, common sense and the special sensitivities (read: politics) surrounding those cultural constituencies. The homeless in particular are a political third rail.

Police Chief Tom Chapman calls it "a delicate balance."

The laws on the books, to which Arcata Police is sworn to enforce, describe specific behaviors that citizens have outlawed — camping, trespassing, smoking, blocking sidewalks and so on — some of which some street people and others may indulge in.

"Those are the things that get our attention, Chapman said. "People on the receiving end of enforcement are going to feel harassed. Others feel we need to do more."

Those whose emphasis is law and order have disparaged Arcata Police as overly passive in addressing street issues. With regard to homeless misbehaviors, some attendees at meetings on public behavior and the Plaza over the years have repeatedly asked why the police don't "run them out of town."

That demand is in clear conflict with the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, which protects freedom of assembly and association, as well as the United Nation's Universal Declaration of Human rights, adopted in 1948.

The overlap between civil rights and illegal activity, plus resource constraints, have led a succession of Arcata police chiefs to point out that the cops can't solve everything, and to call for citizen involvement in solutions. With last week's formation of a Public Safety Task Force, that key function has now been institutionalized.

Chapman said Arcata Police focuses on behavior, not any one demographic. Officers try to get to know the citizens with whom they frequently come into contact by name, build relationships and, rather than being ticket-writing machines, use a light touch wherever possible in working through situations.

"People need a place to sleep, to rest and all things associated with dignity," Chapman said. "Not everyone gets a ticket. We're just trying to respectfully enforce the law."

special account for the Extreme Weather Shelter, to which anyone can donate. Cash helps offset costs for staff and related expenses, though food donations are always welcome at the Annex, 501 E St.

Tax-deductible online donations may be made at [arcatahouse.org](http://arcatahouse.org). If you'd like your contribution to go to the Extreme Weather Shelter or any other Arcata House program, call after you make your donation and let them know at (707) 822-4528. Arcata House likes volunteers, too.

Donations may also be mailed, with a note on the check comment line directing it to the desired program.

Send to Arcata House Partnership, 1005 11th St., Arcata, CA 95521. Still another way to donate to Arcata House is through the Humboldt Area Foundation at [hafoundation.org](http://hafoundation.org).

"There are so many people sleeping on our streets in this bad weather," said Darlene Spoor, Arcata House director. "We can't do it without our faith-based partners and our community that provides funding and donates food, hats, socks and shoes."



# PUBLIC SAFETY



**EUREKA DRUG BUST**  
**ECONOMY PACK A box of syringes was seized, along with other drug paraphernalia.**  
HCSO PHOTO

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE**  
EUREKA – On Monday, Dec. 5 at about 3:45 p.m., a Humboldt County Sheriff’s Deputy conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle at the intersection of Herrick Avenue and Elk River Road in Eureka. During the traffic stop, the deputy saw what he believed to be a one-pound package of processed marijuana bud on the passenger side floorboard. A search revealed another package containing 380 grams of suspected methamphetamine, 616 grams of packaged marijuana bud, 50 clear glass pipes commonly used for smoking methamphetamine and additional pack-

aging material.  
Agents with the Humboldt County Drug Task Force responded to assist in the investigation. The passenger in the vehicle was identified as Christopher Stacy, 42. He was subsequently arrested on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance for sale, transportation of a controlled substance and being under the influence of a controlled substance.  
A Humboldt County Superior Court search warrant was obtained for Stacy’s residence in the 6100 block of Humboldt Hill Road. When agents arrived at the residence, two additional persons were located and identified as Brandy Cyphers, 38, and Richard Taylor, 55.  
Inside the residence, agents located 4,498 grams of marijuana packaged for sales, 22 grams of concentrated cannabis packaged for sales, 114 1-mg Lorazepam pills packaged for sales, 1 gram of heroin, over 400 clear glass pipes commonly used to smoke methamphetamine, digital scales and packaging materials. Agents also seized \$4,900 in U.S. currency subject to asset forfeiture.  
Cyphers was arrested on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance for sale and maintaining a residence for the purposes of distributing a controlled substance. Taylor was arrested for an outstanding warrant. Anyone with information related to this investigation or other narcotics related crimes are encouraged to call the Humboldt County Drug Task Force at (707) 444-8095 or the Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office Tip Line at (707) 268-2539.

## Attempted murder on Anna Sparks Way

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE**  
MCKINLEYVILLE – On Saturday, Dec. 3 at approximately 6:30 a.m., Humboldt County Sheriff’s deputies were dispatched to Denny’s Restaurant on Anna Sparks Way in McKinleyville for a report of a possible assault victim. Medical personnel were on scene when deputies arrived. The male subject, Erick Allen Battersby, 32, refused to make a report, file criminal charges or inform deputies where the assault occurred. Battersby was transported to a local hospital for medical treatment. Deputies searched the surrounding areas for possible witnesses and crime scene but were unable to locate anything related.  
Approximately an hour later, deputies were dispatched to Ray’s Food Place on Anna Sparks Way in McKinleyville for a report of a possible stabbing victim in the business. Deputies met with a 60-year-old male victim who had visible injuries on his body.

The victim told deputies Battersby assaulted him while he was sleeping at a friend’s residence on the 1400 block of Chub Lane in McKinleyville. At one point during the assault, Battersby allegedly sliced the victim’s throat while threatening to kill him. Witnesses heard the disturbance and separated the victim and Battersby and escorted Battersby out of the residence.  
The victim also left the residence and made his way to Ray’s Food Place under his own power, where law enforcement and medical personnel were then called. The victim was transported by ambulance to a local hospital, where he was treated for his injuries.

Deputies then responded to the local hospital where Battersby was receiving medical treatment for his wounds. Once medically cleared, Battersby was arrested on suspicion of attempted murder, making terrorist threats, and entering a building to commit a felony. He was booked at the Humboldt County Correctional Facility for the above listed charges. His bail was set at \$500,000.  
Anyone with information for the Sheriff’s Office regarding this case is encouraged to call the Sheriff’s Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff’s Office Crime Tip line at (707) 268-2539.

## Arcata motel robbery

**ARCATA POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
ARCATA – On Friday, Dec. 9 at about 6:36 a.m., the Arcata Police Department responded to a report from a guest of the Super 8 Motel, 4887 Valley West Blvd., of a robbery that had just occurred.  
The investigation revealed that the female victim was staying in a room with an acquaintance, identified as Wesley Nance. At about 6:15 a.m., two friends of Nance’s arrived at the room. The victim stated that Nance and his two friends brandished handguns and demanded money from her. Nance and the other two suspects allegedly took an undisclosed amount of money from the victim and some of the victim’s property and left the motel.  
A county wide BOL (Be on the Lookout) was issued for Nance, the two suspects and Nance’s vehicle. At about 7:12 a.m., an officer with the Eureka Police Department spotted the vehicle driving southbound on Broadway and began following it. Once sufficient backup units arrived, a high risk traffic stop was initiated on U.S. Highway 101, near Scotia.  
An Arcata Police officer and detective responded to the scene of the traffic stop and arrested Nance, 22, of Sacramento and Richard Valdez, 23, of Sacramento on suspicion of robbery. The third suspect was not in the vehicle and has not yet been identified. Both Nance and Valdez were booked and lodged in the Humboldt County Correctional Facility.  
Anyone with information in this case is encouraged to call the Arcata Police Department at (707) 822-2428.

## Stolen vehicle recovered following Fairhaven chase

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE**  
FAIRHAVEN – On Monday, Dec. 5 at approximately 5:10 p.m., a Humboldt County Sheriff’s deputy observed a black Ford pickup truck stopped at the intersection of Simpson Road and Lincoln Avenue in Fairhaven. The deputy requested a records check on the vehicle, which returned as stolen out of Eureka.  
Deputies attempted to conduct a traffic stop, but the vehicle sped away and failed to yield. A pursuit ensued and was shortly terminated after the driver began driving recklessly and ran a stop sign at State Route 255 and New Navy Base Road.  
Deputies continued to search the Manila area for the stolen vehicle. A short time later, the driver of the vehicle was located on Peninsula Drive and was identified as parolee John Forrest Mastel Jr., 42. Mastel was found to be in possession of brass knuckles and various small tools commonly used to commit burglaries.  
The stolen vehicle was located hidden in some nearby brush, and was later returned to the registered owner.  
Mastel was taken to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility, where he was booked for on suspicion of theft of a vehicle, possession of a stolen vehicle, possession of burglary tools, carrying a dirk or dagger, possession of metal knuckles, violation of parole and evading a peace officer with wanton disregard of safety. His bail was set at \$50,000.



**John Forrest Mastel Jr.**

## University Police seek info on campus attack

**HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPT.**  
HSU – A male in his 20s was injured following an attempted robbery and altercation that occurred on the Humboldt State campus in the parking lot of the Campus Apartments sometime around 10:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8. The man is not an HSU student.  
University Police are seeking more information about people involved in an attempted robbery and altercation.  
University Police officers responded to calls of a fight in the parking lot. Upon arrival, a vehicle fled the scene and an officer pursued. A traffic stop was made on Giuntoli Lane, at which time the officer noticed the man who had suffered a head injury. The man refused medical assistance on the scene and was followed by University Police to the Mad River Community Hospital. Arcata Police assisted with the traffic stop.  
The man described one suspect as an African-American male, approximately 6 feet, 2 inches tall with a slim build. Police are also seeking a person of interest. The individual, who may be named Ron, is an African-American male, between 5 feet, 7 inches and 5 feet, 9 inches tall. Both are believed to be Humboldt State students.  
Anyone with more information about the incident is asked to call University Police at (707) 826-5555.

## H Street hangabouts herded

• **Thanksgiving 8:42 a.m.** The day’s passerby revilement got underway in Valley West, courtesy of a black-clad blurter by a gas station.  
• **11:43 a.m.** After the registered guests checked out of their Valley West motel room, two women remained in the nonsmoking room, smoking things and refusing to leave.  
• **Friday, November 25 2:19 p.m.** A two-species hangabout herd on H Street grew to business-encumbering levels, the two-legged ones generating

foul fumes, and was moved along.  
• **Saturday, November 26 12:35 a.m.** Drunk and aggressive. Arrested.  
• **3:12 a.m.** Yelling and “animated.” Arrested.  
• **7:57 a.m.** Sitting on a curb and rocking back and forth. Moved along.  
• **9:49 a.m.** Screaming behind a store and being known as “Justin.” Moved along.  
• **10:25 a.m.** Sitting on a business’



porch with his pants open. Moved along.  
• **11:18 a.m.** Various naifs left their vehicles unlocked, even in “safe” neighborhoods, only to create bitter-sweet memories of formerly owned possessions.  
• **2:05 a.m.** After not showing up for a child custody exchange, a father turned reality on its head by blaming the mother for withholding their child, then went nuclear on her on all the usual anti-social media platforms.

## Help the county fight crime

**COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**  
HUMBOLDT – The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors is currently accepting applications for the Citizens’ Advisory Committee on Measure Z Expenditures.  
Measure Z is a local half-cent sales tax passed by voters in November 2014 to address public safety and other essential services, and this advisory committee submits recommendations as to how funds raised from the tax should be spent.  
Those interested in serving on this committee should fill out an application and submit it to the Clerk of the Board by Thursday, Jan. 12 for the available seats, though citizens can submit an application at any time for the remaining committee positions. The committee is made up of nine appointees; currently four of those seats are available. Appointments will be made for the following seats:  
• one Third District appointee;  
• two At-Large appointees (chosen by a majority of the Board);  
• one Humboldt County Fire Chief’s Association nominee.  
Applications can be emailed to the Clerk of the Board or mailed to: County of Humboldt, Clerk of the Board, 825 Fifth St., Room 111, Eureka, CA 95501.

The Citizens’ Advisory Committee will meet on Jan. 26. The committee’s primary duty is to provide a forum for the public to discuss Measure Z, to receive applications from the public seeking Measure Z funds and submit recommendations as to where those funds should be spent. Appointments to these seats will last through 2020, when this measure is set to expire.  
Since voters passed this measure in 2014, the committee has overseen approximately \$20 million in expenditures to make our community safer. In that time, Measure Z has funded nearly 50 projects including:  
• hiring more than 30 Sheriff’s Office personnel;  
• maintaining ambulance service on Highway 299;  
• an innovative project with Eureka Police and the Department of Health & Human Services regarding homeless services;  
• student resource and juvenile probation diversion positions in our local schools;  
• purchasing nearly \$4 million of equipment for volunteer fire departments;  
• Providing more than \$3 million for road improvement and safety projects, and more.  
To learn more, visit [humboldtgov.org/measurez](http://humboldtgov.org/measurez).

## Help the city fight crime

**CITY OF ARCATA**  
ARCATA – The Arcata City Council is seeking volunteer members for Arcata’s new Public Safety Task Force.  
Arcata Public Safety Task Force members will serve for 12 months and advise the City Council and city staff on enhancing public safety in Arcata. The task force will also make recommendations that could be used by the city to increase public safety and partnerships within the community to develop stronger neighborhoods, schools and business districts.  
“The creation of the Public Safety Task Force is a positive step forward in addressing safety issues in our community,” said Arcata Chief of Police Tom Chapman. “We look forward to strengthening our community by working together with a diverse group of motivated citizens.”  
The task force will have a minimum of seven and a maximum of 11 members who live, work or go to school within Arcata city limits. The council is specifically seeking applicants who are community members living in various parts of Arcata; business owners

and employees; Humboldt State University students; Arcata school representatives; and community-based organization representatives.  
The task force will meet in the evening of the fourth Wednesday of each month in the Arcata City Council Chamber. The Task Force will sunset on Dec. 6, 2017.  
Applications for the Arcata Public Safety Task Force and a list of street addresses that fall within Arcata city limits are available at [cityofarcata.org/500/Vacancies-Applications](http://cityofarcata.org/500/Vacancies-Applications). Applications are also available at the City Manager’s Office, 736 F St., Arcata, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.  
Applications for this Task Force will be accepted until the positions are filled. Initial interviews with applicants will be held at Wednesday, Dec. 21 at 5 p.m. To participate in these interviews, submit an application by 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15 at the Arcata City Manager’s Office.  
For more information, contact the Arcata City Manager’s Office at (707) 822-5953.



Killing | Wife found naked photos on husband’s phone

❖ **FROM A1**

Springer hastened to her front door as she heard multiple gunshots.

Asked if she were certain it was gunfire, she answered, “Absolutely. I’ve been around guns all my life. I love target shooting, I shoot all the time.

“I panicked,” Springer continued. “I ran to the front door to see what was going on. That’s when I seen Mr. Goldberg. He was standing there, he was turning. And then I saw Tim laying on the ground. I saw [Jon Goldberg] turn to walk away. He was holding a gun,” she affirmed. She could not tell if it was a revolver or a semi-automatic, however. “I was kind of in shock,” she said.

Jon Goldberg got back into his white 2005 Dodge Caravan and drove off, evidently without another word or a gesture.

Fortuna police later established that Jon Goldberg fled heading southbound on Rohnerville Road. About six hours after the murder, Fortuna officers, the Humboldt County SWAT team and California Highway Patrol officers picked up Goldberg inside a residence at 32950 Hwy 36, east of Bridgeville.

As the tragedy broke out in her front yard, Springer said she tried to yell but couldn’t catch her breath. Becoming agitated on the witness stand as she recalled what happened, she testified she was struggling between gasps to cry out in anguish, “Did you fuckin’ shoot him?!”

“I couldn’t breathe; I ran to Tim, and turned him over.”

Suddenly, almost simultaneously, “I looked up and saw my son [had been] watching his father being murdered. I was frozen and scared and I realized my whole life had just gone away. Over something so fucking stupid!”

In greater detail, Public Defender attorney Casey Russo, Jon Goldberg’s lawyer, walked Springer step by step through what led up to the fatal encounter on the Sunday night beforehand, Sept. 25. Smith Sr. and Springer had just returned home from a dinner out in Fortuna with the Goldberg family, including the Goldbergs’ son, David.

Smith Sr. had gone to bed, while Springer took a phone call “about 10-ish” from Rachel Goldberg, who confirmed her family had arrived home safely from the restaurant. The call had been prearranged.

Afterward, Springer decided to scroll through her husband’s cell phone to look at photographs from the fishing

trip he had taken earlier that Sunday with the Goldberg family. “Tim was asleep” when Springer came across an icon for “Deleted Pictures.” She testified that she found four, “maybe five” photos of Rachel Goldberg naked.

Springer said she had had no knowledge of the affair prior to that. She woke her husband. “We got into a fight about it, it lasted all night.” She ordered him to “get the hell out of my house, because I wasn’t going to live with somebody who was doing that.”

Early on Monday morning, Sept. 26, the day of the noon-hour murder, Springer sent a text to Rachel Goldberg. “I wanted to get a hold of her, I’m not sure which phone [I used],” Smith Sr.’s or Springer’s own. She informed Goldberg she had discovered the clandestine pictures and that Rachel should tell her husband, Jon.

Later that morning Springer dialed Rachel Goldberg, who confirmed she had informed her husband of the discovery.

Springer drove her son to school and started to drive to work but, feeling too upset to deal with everyday responsibilities, she went to a friend’s house to try to regain her composure. At 7 to 8 a.m. or so – “I was not watching the clock” – she texted Jon Goldberg to arrange to meet at his house to discuss “what’s going on.”

But she elected not to go, returning to her own home on Rohnerville Road in response to her husband’s appeal to get together to resolve the conflict. That was some 45 minutes before the shooting, Springer estimated. Springer passed word via text to Jon Goldberg that her husband was back.

In the meantime, with a hunting trip coming up, Smith Sr. was gathering camouflage clothes from his red truck to laundry while moving his firearms from the vehicle into the house.

Springer told the court that her stricken husband was lying in between his truck and the house after he was shot. “I don’t recall if the truck door was open. I don’t believe so because I didn’t shut any doors afterward.”

She was confident, however, that her late husband had removed his weapons. “He doesn’t like to ride around with

them.” She testified that the day of the murder, she had seen them in the room of their house where they were usually kept.

Timothy Smith Jr. strode to the witness stand garbed in a navy blue T-shirt memorializing his father, including a hunting portrait on the front of it. Asked by Deputy District Attorney Bernthal if he recognized anyone in the courtroom, Smith Jr. without hesitation identified the man in the orange prison jumpsuit sitting at the defense table as “the guy who shot my dad.”

Repeatedly while testifying, Smith Jr. gazed hard and steadily at Goldberg, apparently hoping to make locked eye contact and stare his nemesis down.

Like Springer, Smith Jr. was both an eye- and earwitness. He testified he was inside his trailer sitting in the driveway of the family home when gunfire cracked the air. He too heard Jon Goldberg’s words to the effect, “I thought we were friends, man,” just before the suspect pulled the trigger. Smith Sr. was reaching into his truck “when Jon shot him,” Smith Jr. testified. “He gave him about as many bullets as he did words. He looked me right in the eye and shot my father.”

The younger Smith had been watching from his trailer window, some 10 feet away. “I see this man pointing a gun. I ran out the door immediately as he left. I only seen him for about three seconds ... I heard him peel out of the driveway.”

Positioned by his father’s body, “I held my mom and I said, ‘There’s nothing we can do now.’”

Fortuna police officer Ryan Richardson testified that on his arrival, Smith Sr. was not breathing, had no pulse and his pupils were dilated. Richardson saw four bullet wounds and the autopsy later confirmed five, one in the upper chest, the others along the left torso and Smith Sr.’s back.

Zeroing in as the defense customarily does on infirmities in the police work, Russo drew statements from Richardson that while on the scene, he did not order a sweep of the area for the assailant, did not search Smith Sr.’s truck and did not search the home, either for guns or any other potential evidence. Russo’s questions indicated the broad contours of the defense case he may marshal at trial. One is whether Jon Goldberg knew he would see Smith Sr. when he drove up to his estranged friend’s house. Goldberg cannot be compelled to take the witness stand to confirm it, but Springer’s prior text messages to him that fatal day may have left him surprised at Smith Sr.’s presence when he first arrived.

Then again, according to Springer’s and Smith Jr.’s testimony, Goldberg turned up at the ready with pistol in hand and eager for the fatal showdown.

Did Goldberg know Smith Sr. would be there or not? Or did he believe Springer was still home alone?

It’s also likely that Russo will focus at trial on whether Smith Sr. had removed his guns from his truck, even though Springer insisted she saw them in the house.

Smith Jr. testified that he saw his father reaching into the vehicle as he was shot. Russo might use that as an opening to argue to the jury that the elder Smith could have been reaching for a gun, and Goldberg fired in reflexive self-defense – albeit five times.



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# OPINION

## Climate Ready dune project is failing

In June 2015, a local nonprofit, Friends of the Dunes, was awarded a \$249,000 grant by the Coastal Conservancy to study the changes taking place on our coastal dunes from Moonstone Beach to Centerville.

The project is meant to measure areas of different vegetation types and sediment deposits. This may help us to better understand how our coastal dunes may be adapting to climate changes such as anticipated sea level rise.



**❖ GUEST  
OPINION**  
Uri Driscoll

At the onset of the program, it was somehow decided to use a data-gathering system that does not interface well with the extensive work that Aldaron Laird completed a few years ago while mapping vulnerable areas around Humboldt Bay.

Secondly, the Fish and Wildlife Service decided to change the previously-approved method for removing vegetation at a site on Lanphere Dunes. Instead of hand removal, poison was used. Without notifying any of the collaborators in the project or the public, the Refuge Director Eric Nelson decided to spread approximately 55 gallons of herbicides on an acre of primary dunes. He used Climate Ready grant money, per his signed, although controversial, Categorical Exclusion.

The non-selective herbicide cocktail of Glyphosate/Imazapyr was applied twice, once in March and again in October just a month before planting fragile native plants. Imazapyr stays deadly for up to 12 months. The questions asked of Mr. Nelson relating to this use of poison and the conflicting messages he has provided the public have not been adequately addressed.

At a quarter-acre site on a Friends of the Dunes property in Manila, they planned to dig up one grass to replace it with another. It cost us \$5,000. The total area ended up being about half the contracted square footage. Eighty-five percent of the new grass has died.

Statements recently made by the Fish and Wildlife Service Refuge staff indicate that they have somehow concluded that to prepare for climate change, we should have “rolling dunes.” They think we should purposely destabilized sand to migrate inland onto very rare dune hollow wetlands and dune shrub habitat, onto roads, homes and other important infrastructure.

There has yet to be any justifiable reasoning or documented support for such a concept, however.

Extensive Oregon University studies have reached a very different conclusion, and some areas in Oregon have begun replanting the very same grass that land managers here have been tearing

out, bulldozing and poisoning. The coastal land managers along the east coast go to great lengths to protect their beachgrass to build and stabilize their dunes.

We were also promised quarterly reports to keep abreast of the project, but have waited over nine months since the last one. We were also promised public meetings every six months. The last one took place over nine months ago, and we have been told no additional meetings are scheduled.

The multitude of questions and concerns the public brought to the first (and so far, only) meeting have been completely ignored. The public outreach coordinator assigned to the project has quit.

Our hard-earned tax money is being used to collect data that is largely incompatible with important, expensive and hard-earned data we already have.

A 55-gallon drum of poison has been spread on the Lanphere Refuge, a place one would think could be spared such an assault. Baykeeper, Friends of the Dunes, the North Coast Environmental Center, EPIC and a host of other environmental organizations have spoken out against the use of herbicides for non-native plant eradication projects.

We spent \$5,000 to dig up one-eighth of an acre of one type of grass and replace it with another type that is dying or dead. We ended up with a significant lack of promised project updates and public meetings. The public's only direct contact person with the project quit.

The public cannot get honest, transparent answers to understand how questionable and highly controversial decisions and conclusions are being made. Those whom we should be able to get real answers from have gone into hiding.

Are we getting what we paid for? Obviously, we are not. But chances are these same folks will have their hand out for another \$250,000 next year. It would be encouraging if there were some indication that the Coastal Conservancy, who funds these projects, would show some transparent oversight. To date however, they have kept their head in the sand while keeping up the longstanding, cozy and very profitable relationship.

While the original goal of the project does seem worthy, once again, the implementation of the pork barrel extras have failed. The promises, transparency and contracts with the public have quickly been sacrificed now that the check has cleared the bank. We can do better. A lot better.

*Uri Driscoll is an environmental activist.*



News item: Arcata's silly crosswalk may accomplish what years of campaigning have not: getting McKinley off the Plaza.

## Silly Crosswalk – crazy idea or preposterous notion?

Next Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. at Arcata City Hall, the Transportation Safety Committee will again consider our Silly Crosswalk proposal. There have been a few developments, but as of this writing we're still waiting for the key one.

That will be the judgment of the Redwood Empire Municipal Insurance Fund. It's the city's insurer, and if liability managers there think people acting goofy in traffic increases risk of injury and settlements, that's pretty much the end of the idea as presently proposed.

At last month's Transportation Safety Committee meeting, Deputy City Engineer Netra Khatri read a letter from a concerned citizen who said that a silly crosswalk runs counter to the traffic safety education taught in the schools.

“Why not designate a 'Silly Sidewalk' or a 'Silly Park'? I love the idea of being silly but not in a crosswalk,” wrote the letter writer. “It doesn't sound safe to me.” Khatri described the objection as a “valid concern,” and it is certainly worthy of discussion. Indeed, the streets are dangerous enough, and no one wants to exacerbate that.

At the same time, in my opinion this is the kind of thing that might sound dangerous on paper, but if you go look at where it's proposed to be, you'll see that it isn't. The north-south crossing on the east side of the Eighth and G streets intersection is a short one, comes off two stop signs and the silly walking option likely isn't any more distracting than the tentacle sculpture that used to loom over it.

Support for the safety of the proposal comes from real-world trials. Stevens Point, Wisc. has had a Creative Crosswalk (same thing, different name) since last June. It's located in front of the

Wisconsin's Children's Museum.

I asked Mayor Mike Wiza, who initiated the idea in that town, how it was working out – is it safe, and do people actually walk silly there?

“Ours is on a street that has a 15 mph limit and narrowing in the road,” Wiza said. “I see people doing silly walks frequently during events and good weather. No liability concerns, but some people thought it was a huge waste of money until I tell them it was less than \$250 for the signs.”

Meanwhile, along with the *Union*, Arcata Main Street and Community Pride & Peace, the Arcata Chamber of Commerce is now on board with the proposal, pending resolution of safety concerns.

At last month's Transportation Safety Committee meeting, Khatri said signage won't pose any regulatory problems. We can put the Silly Crosswalk sign on existing poles alongside the others. Also, the *Union* will fundraise to cover all signage costs and minimize public expense.

There's another new wrinkle as well, and it could extend beyond the Silly Crosswalk. It turns out that a number of towns have enhanced their crosswalks with original art to replace the boring old parallel lines.

There are some beautiful and imaginative designs – Google “Creative Crosswalk” to behold them. So maybe we could do that with our Silly Crosswalk as well. And not just there, but at other places throughout town.

So, that's everything I know for now. If you support, oppose or have ideas to improve the Silly Crosswalk, please bring them to the Transportation Safety Committee meeting next week. Or you can e-mail your thoughts to Khatri at [nkhatri@cityofarcata.org](mailto:nkhatri@cityofarcata.org).



## We will miss our local Dreamers

An article by Natalya Estrada in the Dec. 7 issue of the *Times-Standard* highlights one of the ways our community will change because Donald Trump is going to become the president of our country. Even now, more than a month out from Trump assuming the presidency, it is clear that many have reason to fear this new regime.

Estrada writes about local Dreamers, undocumented students who have up till now been somewhat protected under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals or DACA policy that protected individuals brought to the U.S. as children. There are said to be about 65 of these individuals who are students at Humboldt State, and they are frightened and anxious about the new administration.

Most of us don't know these young people although they live in our community, attend our schools and our university. DACA has allowed them to gain a work permit; they have jobs here and pay in-state tuition. They are intelligent, ambitious and have dreams for a better future, as young people do. Till now, they have felt at least somewhat supported by the culture and economy to which they are contributors, but the new regime of the Republican Party under Trump is pledged to rid the country of these young people.



**❖ INTERESTING  
TIMES**  
Mary Ella Anderson

Even under the Obama Administration, deportations have been higher than one might imagine. Under Trump, it will only get worse. Some of these students will leave for winter break and not come back.

Even before this horrific shift in power to the dark side, there were natural-born citizens who talked of leaving the country. going to Canada perhaps as refugees. Canada apparently doesn't want us and this is probably true of many other countries. The world is full of refugees now, and our country has played a major role in creating them.

In Arcata, will we notice that these young people are gone? Surely we will be reduced and even impaired by their absence. There will be a social and economic impact on us from the loss of these students. Perhaps the education they have received in our country will be of great benefit to the country to which they return. I certainly hope so.

This is where 30 years of voting for the lesser of two evils has brought us. What will we do now that evil has prevailed?

*Mary Ella Anderson thanks the anonymous person who neatly folded her laundry when she left it in the dryer and forgot all about it. That's the spirit we need now.*

## Seeking post-electoral understanding

I was on an extended road trip through many Western states from late September until Nov. 11. As a Hillary supporter, I was deeply saddened by the election of Donald Trump, but I was not as shocked as I would have been, I think, had I been in Humboldt County during that time.

Because of my travels, although I met some Hillary supporters, I met and spoke to more folks who would not vote for her, even if they were not going to vote for Trump: one New Mexico winery owner, who, along with his Latina wife, was going to “hold his nose” and vote for Trump; a progressive couple from Dallas, originally from Berkeley, who told me they wouldn't vote for Hillary – not Trump either, but not Hillary.

I had expected this attitude from my Texas Republican family, whom I visited (and dearly love), but became concerned with what appeared to be a different fight.

I made sure to watch all the debates, usually sitting connected to my iPad in Starbuck's somewhere, and was very pleased with Hillary's performance. Unfortunately I put too much stock in what “winning” the debates would mean.

The desperate situation in our country is much more complex than I'd realized, and now that the election is over, many people are writing thoughtfully about what it all means. There are portions of our society who have felt disenfranchised for a long time, and many who are just disgusted with government.

My job now is to make my corner of the world a more empathetic and understanding place where I can listen to those I don't agree with and try to have honest and open communication. That entails not railing against all Trump voters as racists and misogynists. Granted, some of those types of people feel like they “won,” but this election was about way more than that. And the majority of people who voted for Trump, I believe, do not fall into those categories.

I did come away from this election with a huge concern about the false “news” on Facebook and the internet. I honestly don't know how a democracy will work when communication can be distorted in so many ways, and my hope is that there can be some renewed understanding for the importance of honest communication and civility. I will do what I can in this regard because I truly believe the

### ❖ LETTER

future of our country depends on it.

As I said earlier, this election happened for a variety of reasons that we hopefully will come to understand and heal as time goes on. We are a complex and diverse society and simplistic answers do not suffice.

I am a great fan of David Brooks, who is not only a *New York Times* journalist but a moral human being. He cautions us that: “... there has to be a rejection of single-identity thinking and a continual embrace of the reality that each of us is a mansion with many rooms.”

**Barbara Brimlow  
McKinleyville**

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**'DREAM'**  
**DANCER Kara Renfer, left, dances in Trinity Ballet Academy's Clara's Dream.**

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MARK ALLEN

Plum Fairy. Additional new pas de deux are "Waltz of the Flowers" with Mint couple Tonya Perry and Gino Bloomberg and Rose couple Sequoya Cross and Christian Testanier. Tonya Perry and Christian Testanier endlessly contort and complete challenging stunts in "Arabian Coffee." Hope Magee dances the coveted role of Clara.

Pre-sale tickets are \$15/\$10 for children; \$18/\$12 for children at the door. Tickets are available at The Dance Scene Studio, Wildberries Marketplace, The Ink People Center and online at [Tututix.com](http://Tututix.com).

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### 'Clara's Dream'

Trinity Ballet Academy of McKinleyville presents *Clara's Dream* Saturday, Dec. 17 at 4 p.m. at the North Coast Repertory Theater, 300 Fifth St. in Eureka. This unique *Nutcracker* story features traditional dances of *The Nutcracker* as well as the inspirational "Dances of the First Noel." Performers include Trinity Ballet Academy's dedicated Youth Ballet Theater dancers, ages 11 to young adult. Seating is limited. (707) 839-1816

### Aerial 'Nutcracker Spectacular!'

Humboldt Aerial Collective and Trillium Charter School have partnered to put on the collective's first ever full-length production, *Nutcracker Spectacular!* Saturday, Dec. 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the new Synapsis building on the corner of Second and G streets in Eureka (the old Saint Vincent de Paul building at 212 G St.).

The production will feature an adaptation of *The Nutcracker* through the medium of aerial silks (aka aerial dance), a Dutch raffle and bake sale.

The Humboldt Aerial Collective performs throughout the year, and this is the first time that the collective has choreographed and performed a full length production, as opposed to a series of solo routines. Both children and adults will be a part of this production; the youngest performer is just 7 years old.

Trillium Charter School is a nonprofit in Arcata with a predominantly low-income population. Fundraising and community donations benefit activities and programs

such as swimming lessons for every student, the Wolf Creek Education Program at Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park and an end-of-the-year camping trip every year for all students. All proceeds directly benefit the Humboldt Aerial Collective and Trillium Charter School students.

Tickets are \$5/\$10 for a family of four and are available at Wildberries Marketplace, Schatz's Hidden Treasures at the Bayshore Mall, or by calling (707) 599-4452. Doors open at 7 p.m.

**WITH THE GREATEST OF EASE** Humboldt Aerial Collective's Nathalie Mostrell makes it look effortless. The collective presents its first full-length choreographed production, a fundraiser for Trillium Charter School, this Saturday.

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THOMAS MURPHY

### MAD RIVER UNION

NORTHERN HUMBOLDT – 'Tis the season ... of *The Nutcracker*. And this year, ballet companies are not alone in producing this holiday extravaganza; they are joined by aerial dancers in staging this family favorite. Can't get enough *Nutcracker*? With good timing and a little luck, you may be able to catch a trinity of performances this Saturday; one also has a Sunday performance.

### A traditional 'Nutcracker'

The Sundance Ballet Company continues the beloved holiday tradition with its fourth annual production of *The Nutcracker*, Saturday, Dec. 17 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 18 at 2 p.m., all at Humboldt State's Van Duzer Theater.

The production features Artistic Director Carrie Badeaux's own choreography with nearly 100 Dance Scene Studio students hailing from across Humboldt County. Guest artist Charles Torres, a Bay Area principal dancer, returns to dance the role of Cavalier alongside guest dancer Eric McKay as the Sugar



**FLOWERS AND ROSE** Dancers with the Sundance ballet Company include, in the back row, Stephanie Carter, Matilda Jackson, Clare Ender, Kim Jackson, Hailley Austed, Jenna Steven and, Katie Kitchen; in the front, Sequoya Cross, and Cain Towers.

PHOTO BY  
CARRIE  
BADEAUX

## 'SPINNING MAGIC FROM THIN AIR'



**ROSES AND WATER** Joanne Rand and friends campaign for support for her forthcoming *Roses in the Snow & Drought* recording.

SUBMITTED PHOTO

### MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – Songsmith-folk-rocker Joanne Rand has launched a Kickstarter campaign to fund a forthcoming CD release with her Humboldt based quartet, Rand-Randles-Diggins-Dalmolen.

The forthcoming recording, *Roses in the Snow & Drought*, will be mixed by producer Stephen Hart, with whom Rand has created 13 CDs in 23 years. Piet Dalmolen provided recording and production assistance.

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The players on this recording include Rand on acoustic guitar, vocals and clarinet, Dalmolen on electric guitar, Rob Diggins on violin, Tim Randles on piano and Jonathan Kipp on drums. Rand and Dalmolen alternate on bass parts, and all the players sing at times. According to Rand, the four players recorded together live in the studio, capturing their interplay and grooving like a jam band.

Rand states that *Roses*

*in the Snow & Drought* "is about spinning magic from thin air, continuing to flower as the years go by and still finding magic in a world that is sometimes parched." The recording features 10 original songs by Rand, in a wide array of styles, including folk, rock, jazz, Celtic, psychedelic, and a lullabye. The songs, said Rand, are about war and peace; loyalty and betrayal; passages and rallying, plus a funny anthem to Humboldt County.

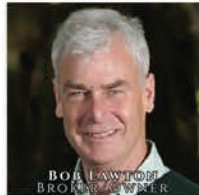
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# A Winter’s Tale

Paul Mann

The sky is leaden and snow is falling,  
the first of the season;  
big flakes now but no accumulation yet.  
White silence lies thick on everything;  
it is a soundless and comforting elegy.

But the winter quiet is marred by masculine guffaws,  
and by the thud of fire and heat pulsing against metal.  
Some boys have circled an old burn barrel  
that is rusty from top to bottom.  
Full of mirth, they rollick like a chorus line  
as they pitch more twigs, branches, leaves  
and cardboard scraps into the licking flames.

The metal is tattered just below  
the barrel’s rim,  
eaten away by countless incinerations.  
The boys josh and punch each other in the shoulder,  
their faces flush with excitement  
and red as Maine lobsters from the heat.  
They whoop like pagans and  
I flashback to Miss Orchard’s  
mythology class,  
half expecting centaurs to materialize  
from the windrow of trees standing mute  
on the embankment nearby.

When the flames peak and roil,  
the boys withhold fuel briefly,  
pausing for the little orange cyclone  
to die down a bit.

Of course, they are up to something covert.  
Anticipation lurks in their furtive eyes.  
They look around,  
checking for spies.  
Stealth is part of the fun.  
I watch from a nearby hedge,  
close enough to feel the suspense.  
The boys ignore me.

A girl my age is invisible to them.  
I am small and quiet,  
my voice is small and timid, too.  
My name is Dory Cabot;  
a dory is a short, small, narrow boat,  
common in New England.

We live on a farm hard by the coast,  
near a craggy hamlet that is tiny like me.

The scene at the burn barrel frightens me.  
I don’t move closer.

But I’m also fascinated;  
I sense the boys are up to something naughty.  
They know they can count on me  
as a silent co-conspirator.

An only child,  
I need friends.  
I won’t betray them, I won’t tell.  
When you’re a small fish,  
you have to keep an eye out.  
Somebody might throw you back  
into the frigid, friendless sea.  
The mischief-makers are readying  
for a display of power—theirs.  
You can see they’re giddy, feeling bold.  
They elbow one another in the ribs,  
their raucous voices spiraling upward with the sparks.  
Wisps of white and blackened ash drift up,  
red-glowing cinders singe the snow flakes  
with a hiss.

Suddenly one of the boys, Adam,  
unleashes into the flames  
a glinting, gleaming, wriggling iridescence.  
Squirming madly, it is frantic.  
Abruptly, the conspirators freeze transfixed,  
their eyes aglitter and coruscating,  
just like the snake’s.

The boys,  
some of them my Sunday school classmates,  
witness the writhing agony  
they’ve inflicted on a living creature.  
Every inch of the reptile’s scaly length  
is scorched and seared by the flames  
lapping against the snow-steamed metal.  
The fire blackens the snake’s shriveling skin.  
Its basilisk eyes seem to radiate  
a torment of incomprehension.  
“I wonder what that feels like,”  
I think to myself with a shudder.  
The boys are silent as their prey  
coagulates, gels,  
goes lifeless  
after one or two last thrashes  
in the throbbing heat.

Death

The silence of the snowfall begins to prevail again,  
as the rumble of the barrel subsides.  
The boys have seen and smelled fatality.  
That is what they came for,  
partly from curiosity,  
partly from something sinister inside them.  
Is that why I stayed?

I don’t feel like I’m there;  
I feel outside myself.  
I saw it at one remove, I tell myself.

After all,  
we shy and timid girls are self-contained.  
We don’t enter into things,  
certainly not nastiness.  
I am sorry for the snake;  
I think I am little surprised  
I’m not mad at the boys.  
I don’t know how I feel about them.  
Does it matter?

I do wonder if they feel wrong.  
Their shoulders droop  
as they tamp down the blaze.  
They seem to deflate,  
like a tire with a slow puncture.  
Bloodlust sated,  
their euphoria ebbs fast.  
Demoralization is taking over  
with an unconscious awareness  
of how fleeting the thrill of omnipotence is.  
It’s as empty as faith, hope and prayer  
in a world ruled by randomness, accident and chance.  
Heat is giving way to the lowering frost,  
the trial by fire gives way to the trial by ice.  
We grow up with that in New England.  
The darkening sky is gunmetal,  
the day is drawing in.

The boys appear emotionless, used up,  
as they wander home in different directions  
past the vanishing silhouette of the trees and  
into the dark.

Their shadows and mine have already dissolved  
in the torrent of flakes that will become a blizzard.  
We slink back to our farm houses.

I’m all to myself as I trudge across the whitening fields  
and between the rows of scarecrow cornstalks.  
A few lines come back to me  
from something Miss Orchard read aloud in class.  
A Greek fable I think, but maybe not Aesop.  
The gist was,  
“The boys throw stones at the frogs in sport,  
but the frogs don’t die in sport,  
they die in earnest.”  
I have to ask Miss Orchard what “earnest” means,  
but I have a feeling it means that frogs  
don’t want to die  
any more than we do;  
we fail to honor that, don’t we?

### VIDEO GAMES AT THE LIBRARY

The McKinleyville Library, 1606 Pickett Rd., holds the first of two video game programs this month **today, Dec. 14** from 4 to 7:30 p.m. (the second is Wednesday, Dec 28) in the library conference room. Games like Super Smash Bros. Brawl, Minecraft, Guitar Hero and Wii Sports are family -friendly games that are easy to learn and fun to play together. If you’ve never played before you can get help from friendly volunteers. There will also be snacks and some board games available. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the McKinleyville Library.

### SCI-FI PINT & PIZZA NIGHT

Visit *The City of the Dead* (1960) and other psychotronic weirdness, trailers, short films and strange giveaways **today, Dec. 14** at Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the main feature starts at 7:30 p.m. A young college student researching witchcraft in a sleepy Massachusetts town learns that the town is actually a coven of witches with a sinister plan to sacrifice humans so that they can become immortal.

### ADMISSION

Admission is free with \$5 minimum purchase of food or beverage. Parental guidance is suggested.

### IMPROV COMEDY

ATL Productions presents On The Spot Improv Comedy **Thursday, Dec. 15** at Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; hilarity ensues at 7 p.m. New and old games from the *Improv Book of Great Things* with a dash of local flair, audience participation and a little madness bring the house down with laughter all night long! Admission is \$6; get presale tickets at [arcatatheater.com](http://arcatatheater.com).

### FLEA MARKET & BREAKFAST

Celebrate the holiday season at the monthly Dow’s Prairie Grange flea market and pancake breakfast **Saturday, Dec. 17** at 3995 Dow’s Prairie Rd. in McKinleyville. Breakfast is served from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.; large breakfast is \$5 and small, \$3. The Kris Kringle special is sure to be yummy. The flea market is open until 3 p.m. and provides a local holiday gift shopping opportunity. Interested in renting a table? Call BJ at (707) 840-9878.

### NATURE STORY TIME

Join Friends of the Dunes naturalist Bob Peck for Nature Story Time **Saturday, Dec. 17** from 2 to 3 p.m. Geared for ages 3 to 6, Story Time will focus on local wildlife and be followed by a simple craft project. Meet at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane in Manila, and be prepared to explore the trails on your own after the program. [info@friendsofthedunes.org](mailto:info@friendsofthedunes.org), (707) 444-1397

### WINE & JAZZ

Enjoy a glass of wine and an afternoon of jazz with the Freshwater 5 at the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka, **Sunday, Dec. 18** from 3 to 5 p.m. The Freshwater 5 is George Isenhardt on trombone, Jack Johnson on trumpet, Mike Barmore on banjo, Jim Piehl on tuba and Brooks Otis on clarinet. They play early jazz hits of 1930s and 1940s, so fans of that era are sure to enjoy this performance! After the show, interested audience members are invited to join the band for a 30-minute jam session – just bring along your instrument and you can practice with these experienced performers. Admission

### FINDING YOUR PURPOSE IN LIFE

How to discover your purpose in life will be explored at Lifetree Café **Sunday, Dec. 18** at 7 p.m. The program, titled “Crafting a Truly Fulfilling Life: Making the Most of Whatever Comes Your Way,” features a filmed interview with Dennis Drake, the founder of the International Deaf Education Association, a Philippines-based program dedicated to providing education and training to the island’s deaf population. During the program, participants will have the opportunity to tell about times they’ve felt fulfillment in their own lives. Lifetree Café is a free conversation café with coffee and snacks, located at Campbell Creek Connection, corner of Union and 13th streets, Arcata. (707) 672-2919

### DOG DAY AFTERNOON

Bring your pooch to the patio of Mad River Brewery, 101 Taylor Way in Blue Lake, **Tuesday, Dec. 20**

CALENDAR	VENUE	WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14	THURSDAY, DEC. 15	FRIDAY, DEC. 16	SATURDAY, DEC. 17	SUNDAY, DEC. 18	MONDAY, DEC. 19	TUESDAY, DEC. 20
	Arcata Theatre Lounge 1036 G St., Arcata	6 p.m. • Sci Fi Pint & Pizza Night	7 p.m. • On the Spot Improv Comedy	8 p.m. <i>The Shining</i>		6 p.m. <i>Polar Express</i>		
	Blue Lake Casino 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake		9 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard	9 p.m. Money	9 p.m. Miracle Show	9 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard		
	Cher-Ae Heights Casino 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad	8 p.m. Free pool		9 p.m. The Undercovers	9 p.m. Dr. Squid	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv	8 p.m. 8-Ball Tourney	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv
	Humboldt Brews 856 10th St., Arcata		1 p.m. • HOLLADAY Trunk Show	9 p.m. ELEVATE	9 p.m. Soul Night #61			
	The Jam 915 H St., Arcata	9 p.m. Whomp Whomp	6 p.m. • Standing Rock benefit	9 p.m. David Starfire	9 p.m. Brothe Lynch	9:30 p.m. Sundaze		9 p.m. Comedy Night
	Libation 761 Eighth St., Arcata			No music this week				
	Logger Bar 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake	7 p.m. • Cribbage Tournament	8 p.m. Boldt Tasting	9 p.m. Kindred Spirits	9 p.m. Lovebush	6 p.m. • NFL & Potluck dinner	all day Free pool	all day Free ping-pong
	Mad River Brewing Co. 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake	6 p.m. Piet Dalmolen	6 p.m. • Compost Mountain Boys	6 p.m. La Patinas	6 p.m. Opera Alley Cats	noon • Last Minute Holiday Gift Fair		6 p.m. Dogbone
	Redwood Curtain Brewery 550 South G St., Arcata		8 p.m. Firesign		8 p.m. • Jennie & David & the SSB		7 p.m. Shuffle Board	
	Six Rivers Brewery 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville			9 p.m. Jimi Jeff	9 p.m. USGGO	8 p.m. Trivia Night	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv	7:30 p.m. Sunny Brae Jazz

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# Celebrate the season by the seaside

The T4 (Trinidad Four) string quartet will play holiday tunes from France, Germany, England, Hollywood and Trinidad, past and present, Sunday, Dec. 18 from 3 to 4 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church on Hector Street at Parker.

Don Morris, Vanessa Kibbe, Kit Morris and Julie Fulkerson are the talented and familiar musicians performing joyous melodies.



**FOUR ON THE FLOOR** The T4 (Trinidad Four) present eclectic holiday music.



Festal Mass at 6 p.m. Trinidad's 1873 Holy Trinity Catholic Church holds a 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. The community is welcome to attend both of these services.

## Burleson exhibit

The opening night of Kathrin Burleson's *Creation Series*, and works of other past and present HSU art students at HSU's new Third Street Gallery in Eureka was packed with appreciative viewers last week. The Trinidad artist's watercolor paintings, mostly of animals and visions inspired by the Bible's "Genesis," are inspirational and uplifting in this season of joy. Plan to stay awhile and enjoy each painting. You'll leave a more content person.

## Susan abroad

Tireless Montessori instructor and artist Susan Stephenson has returned from Montessori Association Internationale presentations in Mexico City and Lima, Peru, with a particular focus on Montessori certification for teaching infants to age 3. In Mexico City, her hosts took her to the magnificent modern Soumaya Museum. She participated in a life drawing class using Rodin sculptures as models. In the two-hour drive from Mexico City to the old Puebla town, she viewed the erupting volcano Popocatepetl.

In Lima, Susan spoke at three universities, the last talk held at Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos, founded in 1551. Eighty invitations were sent to teachers interested in learning more about Montessori methods. Over 1,000 people showed up for one of the talks. Susan had to schedule more sessions. Interest in Montessori education methods for children continues to grow around the world and Susan Stephenson is a large part of the effort.

Visit [susanart.net](http://susanart.net) to learn more about Susan's travels, or email [contacto@susanart.net](mailto:contacto@susanart.net)

[iimontessori.com.mx](http://iimontessori.com.mx) to learn more about the Mexico City programs.

## Music at Lighthouse Grill

Sundays, from 5 to 7 p.m., enjoy live music at Lighthouse Grill in Saunders Plaza. Tony Roach performs Dec. 18 and Jan. 1, Joe Garceau plays.

## Connie Butler turns 80!

The Club Room at Town Hall, beautifully decorated by Janine Volkmar – who also baked scones, cookies, cakes and made tea sandwiches for over 50 birthday well-wishers – was filled with music by Jackie Hogan and many congratulations for one of Trinidad's favorite artists and people, Connie Butler.

Connie brought two photo albums showing baby pictures from her British Columbia childhood, including a photo of a visit by King George VI and his wife, Queen Elizabeth, and a 1950s photograph of current Queen Elizabeth II dancing at a Canadian gala Connie attended. Connie's large circle of friends and relatives shared many memories and stories.

Besides Janine's all-day efforts to present Connie and her guests with High Tea, Matt Brody, Meredith Aldrich, Maria Bartlett,



**CO-LÀ-BREITH MATH** Howdy Emerson plays bagpipes for artist Connie Butler, who turned 80 last week.

PHOTO BY JANINE VOLKMAR

Alexa Day, Debbie Dew, Wendy Hobbs, Toni Magyar and Kathy Reid kept tea and champagne flowing. Howdy Emerson paid a surprise visit at the end of the party in his kilt, playing Scottish bagpipes for a delighted Connie.

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**SEASON'S SINGERS** Maestra Cassandra Moulton leads an ensemble of the Arcata High School Madrigal Choir at Arcata's Jacoby Storehouse in Arcata during the 2015 holiday season.

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**ARCATA HIGH SCHOOL MADRIGAL CHOIR**  
NORTHERN HUMBOLDT – Got chestnuts roasting on an open fire for your next holiday gathering? That's a fairly easy one. Jack Frost nipping at your nose? Not too difficult to come by these days, especially given our weather as of late in Northern Humboldt. But Yuletide carols being sung by a choir? Now that's tough.

Until now. "Hire a choir?" you ask. Why, yes. Well, at least members of a choir.

For the second year, the Arcata High School Madrigal Choir presents a most unique holiday fundraiser – Christmas Carolers for Hire.

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It works like this: For \$20, a small ensemble of three to four students from the Arcata High School Madrigal Choir will show up at your venue, or wherever you tell them to go (within reason), and sing two holiday classics of your choosing. They'll even pass out candy canes. But more importantly, their trained voices won't conjure up memories of your tone-deaf aunt

and uncle at that awkward Christmas dinner or Hanukkah gathering of yore.

The holiday carolers will be available by advance order Dec. 19 through Dec. 21 in the greater Arcata/Eureka area. And if you need a little longer performance? Another \$20 will get you a couple more songs.

Space is limited, so make your reservations early by calling (707) 599-5414. Be ready to provide the address where you would like the singers to perform and an approximate time they should show up.

Under the direction of Maestra Cassandra Moulton, the Arcata High Madrigal Choir is made up of musicians who have advanced beyond the school choir. Many of its members also play instruments in the Arcata-McKinleyville High School (Ar-Mack) Orchestra.

Proceeds raised from this holiday fundraiser benefit a joint orchestra/choir seven-day Seattle performing tour set for April. During the tour, the young musicians will represent Arcata High at various venues, as well as attend professional music clinics in Eugene, Seattle and Vancouver.

For further information about the AHS Madrigal Choir, call (506) 825-2400 or visit their Facebook page.

# HSU Press publishes African mask catalog

## HUMBOLDT STATE

ARCATA – Humboldt State University Press has published *African Masks from the Collection of James Gaasch*, a catalog of the African mask exhibition that took place first at Humboldt State, containing photographs of the African masks and carvers from the Bwa (or Bwaba), Winiama and Mossi peoples of Burkina Faso, and the Bamana and Dogon peoples of Mali.

Emeritus Professor Gaasch acquired many of

these masks in the villages where they were carved. When possible, he interviewed the village carvers, the creators, of these dancing masks. Gaasch's interviews with the carvers underscore the cultural context where traditional African world views persist. And, to the extent possible, they give voice to the masks to reveal their own significance.

Gaasch received two Fulbright Senior Scholar Grants to teach and conduct research in Africa

and has published three textbooks dedicated to the study of West African literature, and a recent book discussing West African mask traditions, *Following the Dancing Masks of Burkina Faso and Mali*.

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**GOT THE UGLIEST SWEATER?** Mad River Brewery, 101 Taylor Way in Blue Lake, celebrates National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day **Friday, Dec. 16** with a contest at 7 p.m.ish for the ugliest one out there. La Patinas play starting at 6 p.m.

**HOLIDAY CHAMBER MUSIC** A Company of Voices perform a holiday chamber music concert at the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka, **Friday, Dec. 16** at 7 p.m. A Company of Voices is a chamber music choir comprised of local singers performing a capella vocal music that spans several centuries, from Renaissance to contemporary jazz. Tickets are \$10 at Wildberries Marketplace and at the door. Doors open 30 minutes before the concert and wine will be available for sale.

**SING IN SUNNY BRAE** St. Alban’s Episcopal Church invites the community to join in caroling in Sunny Brae **Friday, Dec. 16**. Meet at the church, 1675 Chester Ave. in Sunny Brae at 6 p.m. Song books will be provided and all will return to the church for hot cocoa, cider and treats. All ages are invited and children are most welcome to join in this joyous holiday tradition. Bring a flashlight. (707) 822-4102, [stalbarsarcata.org](mailto:stalbarsarcata.org)

**BAYSIDE GRANGE FAIR** The sixth annual bayside Grange Holiday Handmade Maker’s Fair at 2297 Jacoby Creek Rd., is **Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 17 and 18** from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Besides craft vendors, the fair features food by Comfort of Home Catering and live music both days. Saturdays’ lineup includes Licorice Sunshine, Freshwater 450, HMA Flute Choir, Whoops Band, HMA Fiddlers, T4 and Bandemonium. Playing Sunday are Mike & Maria, Holly & the IVs, Trombones@4, The Brendas, Mon Petit Chou, plus a caroling singalong. Admission is \$1 or a non-preishable food item. [baysidegrange.org](http://baysidegrange.org)

**SCRAP CRAFT BONANZA** Finish up your holiday shopping **Saturday, Dec. 17** at SCRAP Humboldt’s cozy Holiday Craft Bonanza! From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., you’ll find handmade craft vendors, holiday decorations, a gift-wrapping station and the materials, inspiration and know-how to make your own holiday gifts. There will be hot soups, as well as coffee and mimosas! The bonanza is one day only at 101 H St. in Arcata’s Marsh District. Admission is free, and there is plenty of

parking. [scraphumboldt.org](http://scraphumboldt.org)

**JACOBY’S SANTAHOUSE** This weekend is your last chance this season to see Santa in Jacoby’s Storehouse, 791 Eighth St., Arcata. He’ll be available for naughty/nice ascertainties Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 17 and 18, from 2 to 5 p.m. underneath the Grand Christmas Tree in the lobby.

**SNOW PARTY** Children and their families are invited to the Eureka Library, 1313 Third St., **Saturday, Dec. 17** at 2 p.m. for a Snow Party with special guests the Dream Quest Youth Ballet from Willow Creek, who will dance the *Waltz of the Snowflakes*. Following the performance, participants will dance, listen to a story and enjoy some snow play with a variety of materials. The library’s programs and services are free, and accessible to persons with disabilities. (707) 269-1910, [humlib.org](http://humlib.org)

**HAVE YOURSELF A SCARY LITTLE CHRISTMAS** The ghostly tradition of a merry and macabre holiday celebration continues **Saturday, Dec. 17** at 7 p.m. as the wandering spectre, the storytelling spirit Carpathian appears at Old Town Coffee & Chocolates, 211 F St. in Eureka. Carpathian will gather his human friends Paul Woodland (The Whippy Dip Radio Show), singer/songwriter Lisa Sharry and master harpist Howard Emerson for some silly, scary seasonal fun. Bundle up against a chill that may have little to do with the temperature, for the weather outside won’t be the only thing frightful! Admission is free; this is an all-ages event. (707) 445-8600, [patientcreatures.com](http://patientcreatures.com)

**LAST MINUTE HOLIDAY GIFT FAIR** Mad River Brewery, 101 Taylor Way in Blue Lake, holds its second annual Last Minute Holiday Gift Fair **Sunday, Dec. 18** from noon to 5 p.m.

**FINAL WINTER CHOIR CONCERT** With a mix of full choir, ensemble group, solos, and duets, with a variety of accompanying instruments, The McKinleyville Community Choir – under the direction of Robert Keiber – presents its final winter concert **Sunday, Dec. 18** at 3 p.m. at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth Street. There will be a delightful mix of musical numbers as well as a singalong and light refreshments. There is no admission fee, though donations are appreciated. (707) 839-2276.

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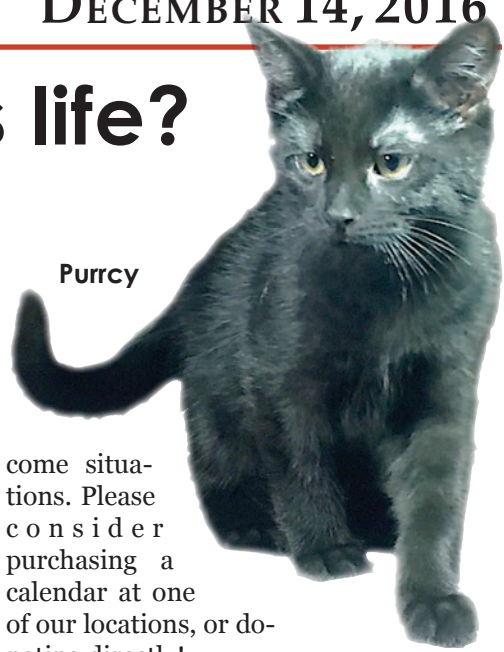
How tragic is life  
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From what cloud comes a kitten?  
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Dumped in a parking lot  
Good samaritan, thank you  
Welcome, small Purrцы

Purrцы is a male kitten who, after struggling through a difficult start in life, is now flourishing and up for adoption at Companion Animal Foundation. He will be neutered prior to adoption and is available to visit in our Kitten Room Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CAF is currently fundraising with our glamorous *Pinups & Pooches* calendar, with the goal of owning and operating a mobile vet unit to help animals in remote areas and living in low-in-



Purrцы

come situations. Please consider purchasing a calendar at one of our locations, or donating directly!

For more information on these events or animals, please visit [caanimals.org](http://caanimals.org), check out our Facebook page (*/CompanionAnimalFoundation*) or follow us on Instagram (*/companion\_animal\_foundation*). You can also call (707) 826-7387 or visit our thrift store and animal program center at 88 Sunny Brae Center.



**STUDIES SNEAKY CEPHALOPODS** Declan Cowan has his hands full at the Telonicher marine lab. SUBMITTED PHOTO

**HUMBOLDT STATE TRINIDAD** – Rule number one with octopuses: Don’t turn your back on them.

“They’re highly intelligent and curious,” said Declan Cowan. “When you walk away, they will try to slip out of the tank.”

It’s something Cowan keeps in mind while working with 14 *Octopus rubescens* (commonly known as the red octopus) at HSU’s Telonicher Marine Lab in Trinidad. Since 2015, the HSU Zoology and Biology major has had a unique opportunity to study and

interact with one of the world’s smartest invertebrates.

“HSU and the lab are so supportive of hands-on undergrad research and all the things I’ve taken on,” he said.

The focus of his study, which mirrors research by Walla Walla University Professor Kirt Onthank, is whether red octopuses prefer to eat crabs with higher levels of lipids. Found in the digestive glands of octopuses, lipids play an important role in their growth and development.

Cowan says the research, part of his senior thesis project, can help shed light on intertidal ecosystems and how they’re changing.

“It’s interesting to un-

OCTOPUS ❖ B5

## CROSSWORD

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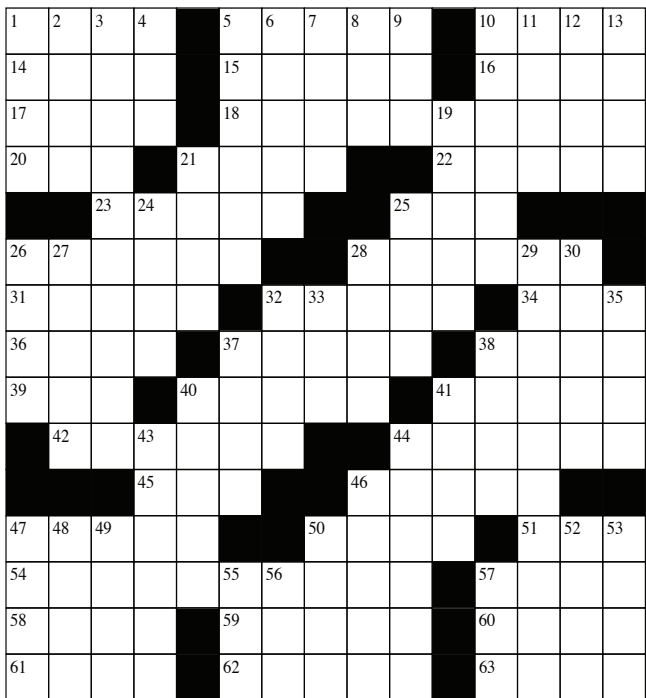
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- Picnic intruders
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- One in servitude

### DOWN

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- \_\_ even keel

- Lingering sensation
- John \_\_
- Read
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- Japanese delicacy
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- Norse god
- Italy’s shape
- Sea eagles
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- Spread
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- That madame
- “The flowers that bloom in the spring, \_\_\_\_”

- Top
- Actress Charlotte



Solution on page B5

The weekly crossword is brought to you by **KINETIC KOFFEE** Organic, fresh, local and available at Eureka Natural Foods, Murphy’s Markets, the North Coast Co-op and Wildberries!

## Delightful Daisy & Diamond deserve devotion

Thanks to everyone who came out to the shelter last weekend for the Holiday Open House! It’s great to be able to build up the shelter’s Emergency Medical Fund, though we always hope that there won’t be too many reasons to need to use it.

One of the dogs benefiting from the fund is gentle Sundae, featured here recently. She is now receiving treatment for heartworm. Heartworm is a preventable condition; talk to your vet about this. The preventative medication is fairly inexpensive, but heartworm treatment can cost around \$1,000! Anyway, Sundae has moved into a foster home and is doing very well. She has been returning the favor of a comfortable place to recuperate by showering her fosters with love and bringing some new energy to a family member facing his own health issues.

Fostering can be very rewarding! We are always looking for potential foster homes as each dog has a different set of needs and it’s nice for us to find

a good fit. Some fosters take medical recovery dogs, some are good homes for scared little dogs, others are happy to take on young energetic dogs that need exercise and train-

ing. We are grateful to all of them! Please contact us at Redwood Pals Rescue (info below) if you would like to sign up for possible future fostering.



Daisy

The shelter has another gentle dog looking for a home. Daisy is listed as a 5-year-old Boxer mix. She was adopted from the shelter about a year ago, but seems to have ended up in the wrong hands somehow. She was brought to the shelter in mid-November under somewhat shady

circumstances; the people took her away again and then she was found later that day (by a friend of mine) tied at the Mad River bridge.

Poor Daisy! Though shaken from what must have been a very traumatic day, Daisy quickly regained her composure and has made many friends among staff and volunteers. One of her friends describes her this way: “Daisy is a very sweet girl. She is a larger dog, but very gentle and easy to walk. This girl loves to play fetch and Daisy’s other favorite activity is rolling on the ground while having her neck scratched! She’s a great dog!”

Daisy is happy to relax on her bed when it is not her turn to go out. She is housebroken and very affectionate. Daisy deserves a home where she will be respected as a family member and not neglected or abandoned. She is happy to have a warm, dry place to wait for the right people to find her. It is sad when being in a shelter is better than the life these dogs have seen on the outside, but we are glad that they have a safe place to be for the interim.

Daisy is spayed, microchipped and current on vaccinations. She is available at the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. More info is available at (707) 840-



Diamond

9132. All currently available dogs and cats are listed on [petharbor.com](http://petharbor.com), under the Humboldt County Sheriff’s Animal Shelter.

Our Redwood Pals dog for this week is one that we featured just last month, our pretty little friend Diamond. Diamond is the dog that was adopted from a rescue in Idaho and somehow ended up here in Humboldt. The folks in Idaho have been paying to keep Diamond in boarding, but that can get expensive over time and we would like to help her find a real home.

One of our good friends works at the boarding facility and has gotten to know Diamond well. This is what she says about Diamond: “Diamond is in need of a foster or adopter. She was rescued from the shelter because she was very nervous and took some time to win her trust. Once her trust is earned she is the sweetest, loving dog with a

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**ALL AROUND CHAMPIONS** Six gymnasts from HealthSPORT Gymnastics – Maggie Weiss, Madisyn Hayes, Leslie Castillo, Trinity Browning, Alexia Moore and Sage Browning, above – traveled down to McClellan, Calif., Nov. 19 and 20 to participate in the Level 3 North State Gymnastics Competition. To qualify, a team must achieve an All Around score of at least 34.5 during the regular season. This was the first state competition for most of these girls, and, for a couple of them, their first season at their competition level. They had a great showing. Top left, Leslie Castillo (on the right side of the podium) took first place Level 3 State Beam Champion and third place in the All Around; Trinity Browning took 10th place All Around. Sage Browning, left, took 11th place in the All Around. Weiss took eighth place on Floor and All Around; Moore took 12th place All Around and Hayes 17th All Around. They made HealthSPORT, their parents, coaches, and their community very proud!

PHOTOS COURTESY HEALTHSPORT

## Octopus | Brainy

❖ **FROM B4**

derstand these shifts by observing the role of a successful predator like the octopus,” he said.

Studying octopuses is one thing. Making sure they thrive is another.

The red octopus is common in this part of the world and is known for being brainy. One at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, for instance, latched onto a sponge and then made a dash for it, hiding for a year before it was found.

Considering their smarts, Cowan makes sure to interact with them regularly and keep them stimulated.

“We sometimes put a crab in a dog toy. They have to figure out how to get it out,” he said.

They’re cannibalistic by nature, so they need space. That means 14 separate tanks. They’re also voracious eaters — Cowan feeds them four times each week.

Humboldt State students have

studied the red octopus in the past, though not so many at one time. “It’s an impressive sample size and a rarity,” said marine lab technician Grant Eberle. He and technician Dave Hoskins helped Cowan and former lab partner, Ashley Abitz, got the project up and running.

Caring for and studying these animals is a labor of love — one that started at the marine lab, which he visited frequently as a kid growing up in Arcata. “I feel like I’ve come full circle. I’m now at the marine lab where it all started.”

Cowan became obsessed with the red octopus last summer as an intern at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, where he studied cephalopod husbandry.

It was then he realized the importance of studying octopuses in a sustainable way.

“I want to find ways to improve husbandry for these animals in order to raise them in captivity so we don’t have to take from the wild,” he said.

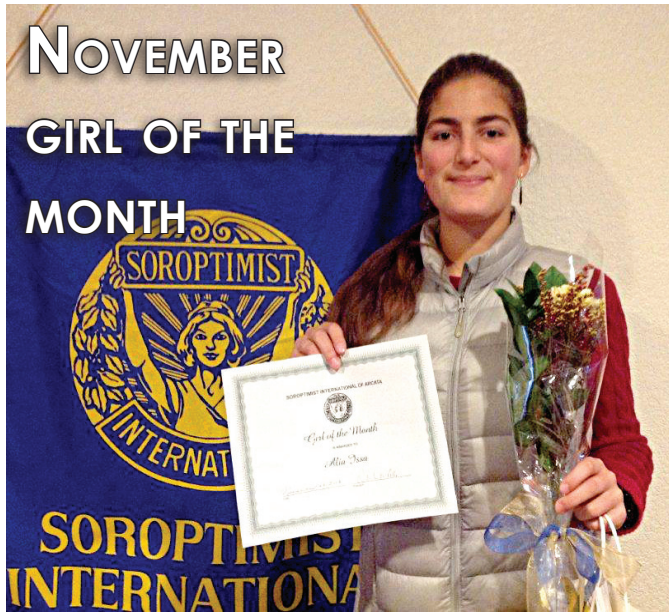
## Dogtown | Diamond

❖ **FROM B4**

playful side! The key to her heart is good treats and a game of fetch. She needs a kind and gentle person who understands her and helps her feel secure while meeting new people.

“Diamond has shown interest in playing with friendly dogs and she seems to really like puppies. Maybe she was once a mother. With the right match, she could live with another dog. She doesn’t seem to care for cats and needs a home without them or any small animals. Diamond is petite and has an adorable curly tail. She’s very smart and observant. She has been living in a boarding kennel and has been very patient and good but she needs a real home where she can truly shine.”

Diamond weighs about 40 pounds and is maybe 2 years old. The rescue in Idaho says she lived with other dogs and older children. If you can give Diamond a foster or permanent home, please contact us at [redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com](mailto:redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com).



**ALIA THE ACHIEVER** Soroptimist International of Arcata honored Alia Issa as its November Girl of the Month. Issa, a senior at Arcata High School, was honored for her outstanding contributions to both her school and the community. She is a member of the Interact Club; Girls Who Code — which she was instrumental in establishing; the Spanish Honor Society; and the swim and tennis teams. She has been in honors orchestra for two years and is first chair clarinet. She is also a member of the madrigal choir. Issa has held various offices including president in most of her clubs. Her community service activities include working directly with Rotary and chairing several projects through the Interact Club. She volunteers for the American Cancer Society and she has participated on a Relay for Life team for four years. Issa plans to attend a four-year university to study biomedical engineering and computer science with a minor in business. She is also considering international business and overseas programs. SUBMITTED PHOTO

### ❖ EMPLOYMENT

**Visiting Angels** is seeking Caregivers, CNAs & HHAs to assist seniors in Fortuna, McKinleyville, and Eureka. Part-time and Full-time, flexible hours. Please call 707-362-8045.

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**Engineering Technician I / II**  
I - \$43,476.40 - \$52,845.83/yr.  
II - \$48,693.56 - \$59,187.33/yr.

**Filing Deadline: 4pm, December 22nd, 2016.** Performs a variety of technical routine to complex duties including drafting and design work related to the construction, maintenance, and operation of the City’s engineering, land development, utility, building, infrastructure and other capital improvement projects and programs; conducts traffic control and other field observations, surveys and studies; performs other related duties as assigned. EOE. Application packet available at: [www.cityofarcata.org](http://www.cityofarcata.org) or City Manager’s Office, 736 F Street, Arcata; (707) 822-5953. 12/21

## LEGAL NOTICES

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
16-00678  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES**  
2000 GRANGE ROAD  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
JEROME K. CARMAN  
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MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
This business is conducted by: An Individual  
**SJEROME CARMAN, OWNER**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 18, 2016  
KELLY E. SANDERS  
SC DEPUTY CLERK  
1120, 1214, 1221, 14, 1221

**ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME R-1400129**  
County of original filing: Humboldt  
Date of original filing: 02/19/2014  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GREATFUL GRANOLA CO.**  
115 G STREET #19  
ATYAYA, CA 95521  
RHEANNE M. LIMA  
2330 CHAPEL HILL RD.  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
This business was conducted by: An Individual  
**S/RHEANNE LIMA, OWNER**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 21, 2016  
KELLY E. SANDERS  
AA DEPUTY CLERK  
121, 1214, 1221, 1228

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
16-00712  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SMEBBIN SKATEBOARDING**  
1850 BAIRD RD.  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
IAN W. FOREMAN  
1850 BAIRD RD.  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
This business is conducted by: An Individual  
**SJEROME CARMAN, OWNER**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 6, 2016  
KELLY E. SANDERS  
GW DEPUTY CLERK  
1214, 1221, 1228, 14

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
LEILA BAIRD  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
CASE NO. CV160948  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
1. Petitioner LEILA BAIRD has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
a. Present name: KHLOE KUIUPO-LEILANI KAHOALII to Proposed name KHLOE RUTH BAIRD b. Present name: MIA KEALANI KA-

HOALLI to Proposed name MIA HOPE BAIRD.  
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
Date: January 9, 2017  
Time: 1:45 p.m.  
Dept.: 8

3. A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.  
Date: NOV. 10, 2016  
DALE A. REINHOLTSSEN  
Judge of the Superior Court  
1214, 1221, 1228, 14

**SUMMONS (FAMILY LAW)**  
FL160838  
Petitioner’s Name: Roy Sandbank  
**NOTICE TO RESPONDENT:**  
Claudia Canha  
You have been sued. Read the information below and on the next page.  
(Page 1 of 2)

You have 30 calendar days after this *Summons* and *Petition* are served on you to file a Response (form FL-120) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter, phone call, or court appearance will not protect you. If you do not file your *Response* on time, the court may make orders affecting your marriage or domestic partnership, your property, and custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs.

For legal advice, contact a lawyer immediately. Get help finding a lawyer at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp)), at the California Legal Services website ([www.lawhelpca.org](http://www.lawhelpca.org)), or by contacting your local county bar association.

**NOTICE—RESTRaining ORDERS ARE ON PAGE 2:** These restraining orders are effective against both spouses or domestic partners until the petition is dismissed, a judgment is entered, or the court makes further orders. They are enforceable anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.

**FEE WAIVER:** If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the clerk for a fee waiver form. The court may allow you to pay back all or part of the fees and costs that the court waived for you or the other party.  
1. The name and address of the court are Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth St., Eureka, CA 95501  
2. The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner’s attorney, or the petitioner without an attorney are: Roy Sandbank, 1805 4th St., Eureka, CA 95501  
Date: NOV 16 2016  
KIM M. BARTLESSEN Clerk, by KATRINA W. Deputy  
(Page 2 of 2)

**STANDARD FAMILY LAW RESTRAINING ORDERS**  
Starting immediately, you and your spouse or domestic partner are restrained from:  
1. removing the minor children of the parties from the state or applying for a new or replacement passport for the minor children without the prior or written consent of the other party or an order of the court;  
2. cashing, borrowing against, canceling, transferring, disposing of, or changing the beneficiaries of any insurance or other coverage, including life, health, automobile and disability, held for the benefit of the parties and their minor children;  
3. transferring, encumbering, hypothecating, concealing, or in any way disposing of any property, real or personal, whether community, quasi-community, or separate, without the written consent of the other party or an order of the court, except in the usual course of business or for the necessities of life; and  
4. creating a nonprobate transfer or modifying a nonprobate transfer in a manner that affect the disposition of property subject to the transfer, without the written consent of the other party or an order of the court. Before revocation of a nonprobate transfer can take effect or a right of survivorship to property can be eliminated, notice of the changed must be filed and served on the other party.

You must notify each other of any proposed extraordinary expenditures at least five business days prior to incurring these extraordinary expenditures and account to the court for all extraordinary expenditures made after these restraining orders are effective. However, you may use community property, quasi-community property, or your own separate property to pay an attorney to help you or to pay court costs.

**NOTICE—ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE:** Do you or someone in your household need affordable health insurance? If so, you should apply for Covered

California. Covered California can help reduce the cost you pay towards high quality affordable health care. For more information, visit [www.covered-california.com](http://www.covered-california.com). Or call Covered California at 1-800-300-1506.

**WARNING—IMPORTANT INFORMATION** California law provides that, for purposes of division of property upon dissolution of a marriage or domestic partnership, property acquired by the parties during marriage or domestic partnership in joint form is presumed to be community property. If either party to this action should die before the jointly held community property is divided, the language of the deed that characterizes how titled is held (i.e., joint tenancy, tenants in common, or community property) will be controlling, and not the community property presumption. You should consult your attorney if you want the community property presumption to be written into the recorded title to the property.  
1120, 1217, 1214, 1221

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GLENNIS MARIE SHORT**  
CASE NO.: PR160337  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: GLENNIS MARIE SHORT  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: JUDITH JUANITY SISSON in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: JUDITH JUANITY SISSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

**A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:**  
Date: December 29, 2016  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Dept.: 3  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
Attorney for the petitioner: TIFFANY LOPEZ  
GALE & NIELSEN  
2850 HARRIS STREET  
EUREKA, CA 95503  
(707) 269-0167  
1217, 1214, 1221

person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

**A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:**  
Date: January 5, 2017  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Room: 8  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.  
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
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Attorney for the petitioner: J. BRYCE KENNY  
369 8TH STREET  
EUREKA, CA 95501  
(707) 442-4431  
1214, 1221, 1228

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JACK ALLEN ENGLAND**  
CASE NO.: PR160345  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: JACK ALLEN ENGLAND, JACK A. ENGLAND, JACK ENGLAND  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: CHARLENE SARA ENGLAND in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: CHARLENE SARA ENGLAND be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

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Attorney for the petitioner: WILLIAM G. BERTAIN  
1210 6TH STREET  
EUREKA, CA 95501  
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**AMENDED NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JOSEPH ANDREW WATERS**  
CASE NO.: PR160336  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: JOSEPH ANDREW WATERS  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: SALLY ANN WATERS SOKOLOSKI in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: SALLY ANN WATERS SOKOLOSKI be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

**A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:**  
Date: December 29, 2016  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Dept.: 3  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
Attorney for the petitioner: WILLIAM G. BERTAIN  
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The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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**A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:**  
Date: January 5, 2017  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Dept.: 3  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.  
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
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**NOTICE OF VACANCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
Due to the resignation of Director Dennis Lindstrom,

effective December 13, 2016, a vacancy will exist for the position he occupied serving the Board of Directors of the Arcata Fire Protection District.

The unexpired term of this seat continues through November 2019. As this appointment will occur in the first half of the term of office and more than 130 days prior to the next general district election, the person appointed to fill the vacancy shall hold the office through November 2017 or until the elected person has been qualified. Thereafter, the person elected shall hold office for the unexpired balance of the term through November 2019.

Prospective candidates must reside within the boundaries of Ward 1 of the Arcata Fire Protection District (Ward 1 includes properties located north of Hiller and Gwin Road up to and including Woody Road. Please refer to the map located on [www.arcatafire.org](http://www.arcatafire.org) for specific details). The Board intends to make its appointment no later than Tuesday, January 17, 2017.

Any person interested in being considered for appointment to this seat on the Board of Directors is asked to submit an application of qualifications. Forms are available at any of the District fire stations or through the District website at [www.arcatafire.org](http://www.arcatafire.org).

Application deadline is January 12, 2017 at 5 p.m. — postmarks not accepted.  
Questions concerning this appointment should be directed to the Clerk of the Board, at 825-2000. The Board will consider all applicants at the regular public meeting scheduled for January 17, 2017 at 5:30 p.m., 631 9th Street, Arcata, CA dated: December 7, 2016  
By: Becky Schuette, Clerk of the Board  
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**CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1483**

I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on December 7, 2016, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1483, summarized below, *An Ordinance of the City of Arcata Amending the Arcata Municipal Code, Title IX Land Use Code, Section 9.12.020, Zoning Map, to add the Planned Development Combining Zone to the DeBoni Property, 1695 Heindon Road, Assessor’s Parcel Number 507-291-062, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only.* The motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1481 was passed by the following vote: AYES: Pitino, Omeles, Pereira, Winkler, Wheelley. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.

Kara Newman-Ferdolage, Deputy City Clerk, City of Arcata  
**Summary of Ordinance No. 1483**

If adopted, this ordinance will amend Section 7453 of the Arcata Municipal Code, Title VII (Public Works), Chapter 2(Sewers), Article 5 (Inspection and Repair of Building Sewers and Private Sewers at Time of Sale) to revise approved testing methods and repair requirements.

The full text of Ordinance No. 1483 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California. Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Ordinance No. 1483 may be considered for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Arcata City Council to be held on December 21, 2016, and, if adopted at that time, would take effect January 20, 2017. 12/14

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Kara Newman-Ferdolage, Deputy City Clerk, City of Arcata  
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If adopted, this ordinance will amend Section 9.12.020, Zoning Map, of the Land Use Code (LUC) to be in conformance with LUC Section 9.92.050, Findings for Zoning Map and Land Use Code Test Amendments, to amend the identified project area (507-291-062) to add the Planned Development Combining Zone to the Commercial – Visitor Serving base zone.

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**KNOW YOUR CHANNELS** Friends of the Arcata Marsh presents a free public lecture by Dr. Mary Ann Madej, "Stream Channels vs. Tidal Channels: What's the difference and why should we care?" **Friday, Dec. 16** at 7:30 p.m. at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center. For more information or to guarantee a seat, call (707) 826-2359.

**CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT** The Redwood Region Audubon Society sponsors the 16th annual Christmas Bird Count in Arcata **Saturday, Dec. 17**. Centered on Arcata, the count circle stretches north to McKinleyville south of Murray Road, west to Samoa and Manila, east to Bayside up to the Baywood Golf Course and south including Freshwater and to Eureka along the waterfront to the Elk River. Contact compiler Tony Kurz at [tonyk\\_71220@hotmail.com](mailto:tonyk_71220@hotmail.com) or (559) 333-0893.

**BIRD THE MARSH** The Redwood Region Audubon Society holds a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary **Saturday, Dec. 17**. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet the leader in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

**FOAM MARSH TOUR** Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary **Saturday, Dec. 17** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Barbara Reisman at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359



**TRAIL TENDERS** A number of groups joined in on the Hammond Volunteer Trail Stewards workday in December. Members of Latter-day Saints, Humboldt State Natural Resources Club, McKinleyville High School French Society and other trail stewards, in coordination with Humboldt County Parks staff, helped wheelbarrow gravel to an eroding spot on the hill below Vista Point, improving both the trail and, downhill, Snowy Plover habitat. Hammond Trail Stewards meet the first Saturday of most months for work days at changing locations, in collaboration with Humboldt County Parks and Recreation. The next Hammond Trail Work Day is Saturday, Feb. 4 from 9 to 11 a.m. New volunteers are always welcome and will be offered a brief orientation. [sbecker@reninet.com](mailto:sbecker@reninet.com)

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# New eco HQ

**NORTHCOAST ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER**  
ARCATA – As of Dec. 1, the Northcoast Environmental Center (NEC), Humboldt Baykeeper and Californians for Alternatives to Toxics have new headquarters in the Cooper Building at 415 I St. in Arcata. This new location is more accessible and visible for volunteers, interns and interested community members. It also enables the NEC to continue to provide meeting space for the California Native Plant Society, Redwood Region Audubon Society, and other member groups.

Volunteers now have a convenient location to drop off their collected cigarette butts for the NEC's Adopt-a-Block program or get info about the NEC's Adopt-a-Beach program, stop in to discuss environmental issues, peruse the collection of environmentally focused books, brochures and pamphlets, drop off donations or purchase NEC and Baykeeper logo shirts and hoodies for holiday gifts.

"We are excited to launch this new chapter in a better position to engage the community in what will certainly be challenging times for environmental advocacy," said Jennifer Kalt, director of Humboldt Baykeeper.

The NEC also welcomes Californians for Alternatives to Toxics as a new Associate Member group.

An open house will be held Thursday, Jan. 26 from 5 to 7 p.m. for all to celebrate the new headquarters. Until then, members and the public are welcome to stop by for a peek at the progress.

The NEC was formed in 1971 to promote understanding of the relations between people and the biosphere and to conserve, protect and celebrate terrestrial, aquatic, and marine ecosystems of northern California and southern Oregon.

Humboldt Baykeeper was formed in 2004 to safeguard coastal resources for the health, enjoyment, and economic strength of the Humboldt Bay community.

Californians for Alternatives to Toxics was founded in 1982 by community groups from throughout northern California who wanted a regional resource center for information and action about hazardous chemicals and for promotion of organically produced products.

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